

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call

3. Meditation And Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag

4. Consent Agenda - Approval Of Staff Recommendations

*(Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)*

5. Approval Of Agenda And Additions

6. Presentations

o. ACE Student Awards

The Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) will present its 19th Annual Student Awards program. The ACE awards recognize students who exemplify the spirit of Greenbelt and have made positive contributions towards their community. Susan Breon, ACE Chair, will introduce each of the award recipients, who will receive a certificate and a small gift. This year will also mark the 16th year of the presentation of a scholarship to the student award winners from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. State Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawanna Gaines, Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington, County Councilmember Ingrid Turner, and School Board Member Peggy Higgins are expected to participate.

Documents: [ACE.PDF](#)

o. Legislative Wrap-Up – 22nd District Delegation:

State Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawanna Gaines, Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington, will provide an update on the 2013 General Assembly Session. [A LETTER FROM DELEGATE GAINES](#) and reports from [DELEGATE WASHINGTON](#) and [DAVID MORAN](#) are included in Council's packet. (CM)

Documents: [GAINES LETTER.PDF](#), [LEGIS_BUDGET.PDF](#), [LEGIS_MORAN.PDF](#)

o. Older Americans Month Proclamation

May is Older Americans Month. Narineh Abrahamian, Interim Service Coordinator for Green Ridge House, will attend the meeting to receive the proclamation on behalf of the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL) and the residents of Green Ridge House. (CM)

Documents: [OLDER_AMERICANS.PDF](#)

o. Public Works Week Proclamation:

National "Public Works Week" is May 19-25, 2013. Ken Hall, Director of Public Works, will be present to receive the proclamation on behalf of the department. (CM)

Documents: [PW_WEEK.PDF](#)

7. Public Hearing- Wine Sampling At Greenbelt Farmers Market

Wine Sampling at Greenbelt Farmers Market: At its last meeting, Council discussed a request received from the Greenbelt Farmers Market (GFM) requesting wine tastings be allowed in order to promote the sale of Maryland wines at the GFM. Council recommended a public hearing be scheduled on the request. It is recommended that the regular meeting be recessed for the purpose of conducting the public hearing. No motion is required to begin or end the public hearing. (CM)

8. Petitions And Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules)

9. Minutes Of Council Meetings

o. Regular Meeting, April 8, 2013

Documents: [REGULAR_MEETING_4_8_13.PDF](#)

o. Regular Meeting, April 22, 2013

Documents: [REGULAR_MEETING_4_22_13.PDF](#)

10. Administrative Reports

11. Council Reports

12. Committee Reports

- o. Arts Advisory Board, Report #2013-1 (Contribution And Recognition Groups):
Staff recommends that Council accept this report which was discussed at the Contribution Group work session on May 1, 2013. (CM)

Documents: [ARTS_REPORT.PDF](#)

- o. Advisory Committee On Trees, Report #2013-1 (White Pine By Municipal Building):
Staff recommends that Council accept this report and direct staff to proceed with the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Trees. (CM)

Documents: [TREE_REPORT.PDF](#)

13. A Resolution To Negotiate The Purchase Of A New Truck Body And Lift Gate From Intercon Truck Equipment Of Joppa, Maryland At A Cost Of \$15,431

- 1st Reading
Reference:

The City owns a 2001 Ford F550 truck whose engine and chassis are in good condition but the truck body has holes and is badly rusted. The truck can no longer be used by the Public Works Department for most tasks.

Three quotations were received for replacement of a dump body for this unit. The quotations ranged from \$15,431 to \$25,200. Included in Council's packet is a memorandum from Ken Hall, Director of Public Works, recommending the purchase of a replacement dump body from Intercon Truck Equipment of Joppa, Maryland at a cost of \$15,431.

The FY 2013 Replacement Fund includes \$10,000 for this purchase. There are sufficient funds in the Replacement Fund balance to cover the cost overage.

Ms. Mach introduced the resolution for first reading at the last meeting. It is recommended the ordinance be introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight. (CM)

Documents: [TRUCK_MEMO.PDF](#), [TRUCK_RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

14. A Resolution To Negotiate The Purchase Of July 4th Fireworks From ACE Pyro LLC Of Clearfield, Pennsylvania At A Cost Of \$12,000

- 1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules, 2nd Reading, Adoption

Reference: Resolution Memorandum, K. Hall

Following the 2012 July 4th fireworks show, a concern was raised about the negative impacts fireworks may have on the environment and public health. Public Works staff investigated these concerns over the past year and looked at the option of offering a laser show in place of a fireworks show.

Included in Council's packet is a memorandum from Ken Hall, Director of Public Works, indicating studies to date are not conclusive on the potential effects/dangers of fireworks on humans and the environment. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) indicates that more data is needed to determine if any risks associated with fireworks are posed.

Public Works staff explored the option of offering a laser show this year in place of a fireworks show. Image Engineering, a local company that provides laser shows throughout the country, was consulted. Due to budget restraints and site limitations, Image Engineering did not feel a laser only show would meet the expectations of the community.

ACE Pyro LLC has provided a proposal for a \$12,000 fireworks show for 2013 that provides the same number of fireworks that have been used in past years, along with labor cost and permit fees. Although the City typically spends \$10,000 to purchase fireworks, Public Works employees have traditionally provided the labor for shooting the displays. With ACE Pyro providing the labor for shooting the electronic show, City overtime labor costs will be significantly reduced.

In order to provide ACE Pyro enough time to prepare for the July 4th date, it is recommended the resolution be introduced for first reading, the rules suspended, introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight. (CM)

Documents: [FIREWORKS_MEMO.PDF](#), [FIREWORKS_RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

15. An Ordinance To Amend Article 3 “Public Parks, Playgrounds, Etc., Generally” Of Chapter 12 “Parks And Recreation” Of The Greenbelt City Code To Allow The Sale And Sampling Of Wine At The Greenbelt Farmers Market Between May 1st And December 24th Of Each Year

- 1st Reading, Adoption

Reference: Ordinance
Letter, Greenbelt Farmers Market Board, 02/16/2013
Meeting Minutes, 09/21/2011 and 10/10/2011

Included in Council's packet is a letter from the Greenbelt Farmers Market (GFM) Board of Directors requesting Council consider allowing them to offer wine tastings to market customers. Council discussed this request at its last meeting and requested the public hearing held earlier this evening be scheduled.

Council direction is sought. If Council chooses to proceed with allowing the wine tastings at GFM, it is recommended the ordinance be introduced for first reading. (CM)

Documents: [ITEM_15_LETTER.PDF](#), [ITEM_15_ORDINANCE.PDF](#), [ITEM_15_PART_3.PDF](#)

16. Transfer Of Liquor License – Royal Jade

Reference: Notice, Board of License Commissioners

The City has received notice of a transfer of location for a Class B, Beer and Liquor License from Royal Jade Cuisine, 7401 Greenbelt Road, to 7701 Greenbelt Road. The application is scheduled for the May 28, 2013, meeting of the Board of License Commissioners (Liquor Control Board).

The City can support, oppose or take no position on this application. Lynn Tue, Owner of Royal Jade, and Linda Carter, Attorney for Royal Jade, will be present at tonight's meeting.

Council direction is sought. (CM)

Documents: [ROYAL_JADE.PDF](#)

17. Other Reports

Councilmembers will present reports on meetings and conferences recently attended. (CM)

18. Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) – Board Of Trustees Ballot

The Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) has provided its annual ballot to members for the election of its trustees. The Board of Trustees has approved the nomination of the following individuals to serve for three-year terms beginning July 1, 2013: Barbara Matthews (Rockville); Tari Moore (Cecil County); and Theodore Zaleski, III (Carroll County). Biographical information is included in Council's packet. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will authorize the City Clerk to respond affirmatively on these three candidates on behalf of the City Council by the June 1, 2013, deadline. (CM)

Documents: [LGIT_BIOS.PDF](#), [LGIT_MEMO.PDF](#)

19. Reappointments To Advisory Groups

Reference: Reappointment Surveys

The following individuals have indicated their willingness to continue to serve on their current advisory boards or committees. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint these individuals to new terms.

Susan Breon	Advisory Committee on Education
Ethel Dutky	Advisory Committee on Trees

Betty Sonneveldt Park and Recreation Advisory Board
Lester Whitmer Park and Recreation Advisory Board

(CM)

20. Resignation From Advisory Group

Reference: Letter, Dr. Noll, 04/20/2013

Dr. Franklin Noll has submitted his resignation from the Forest Preserve Advisory Board. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to accept his resignation with regret. (CM)

21. MEETINGS

o. MEETINGS

Reference: Chart, Stakeholder/Regular Meetings
Master Calendar

Meeting	Day	Date	Time
Reception for ACE Student Awards	Mon.	5/13	7:30 pm
Regular Meeting/ACE Student Awards	Mon.	5/13	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – Green Ridge House (Green Ridge House)	Wed.	5/15	7:30 pm
Work Session – Confidential Information	Mon.	5/20	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – Final Budget Review (CC)	Wed.	5/22	8:00 pm
No Meeting - City Holiday (Memorial Day)	Mon.	5/27	
Regular Meeting/2nd Public Hearing	Tues.	5/28	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	5/29	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting/ Budget Adoption	Mon.	6/3	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	6/5	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD	Mon.	6/10	8:00 pm
Work Session – Greenbelt Homes Inc. (stakeholder) (at GHI)	Wed.	6/12	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	6/17	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	6/19	8:00 pm
MML Summer Conference	Sun-Wed	6/23-26	

ACE STUDENT AWARDS - 2013

ACE STUDENT AWARDS MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013

GREENBELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Zion Albright
Hans Konchou

SPRINGHILL LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Doris Aviles
Sergio Coutino

MAGNOLIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Madison Telfer
Malcolm Elbert

TURNING POINT ACADEMY

Ryley Hinson

GREENBELT MIDDLE SCHOOL

Shahara Rahman
Nathaniel Kalil

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL

Ershia Francois
Nnaedozie Okorie

DELEGATE ANNE HEALEY'S MARYLAND STATE DELEGATE AWARD

Joshua Nichols

TAWANNA P. GAINES
22nd Legislative District
Prince George's County

Appropriations Committee

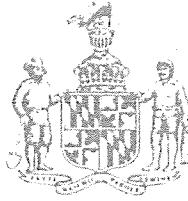
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Subcommittee

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THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

April 17, 2013

Dear Constituent:

We ended the 433rd session of the Maryland General Assembly successfully! We worked together managing state's structural deficit, funding education, increasing employment through building private sector confidence, investing in our transportation network, supporting the environment through clean energy, strengthening public safety laws, improving Maryland's Health Care System, and Repealing the Death Penalty. With the continuing economic growth, we were able to contribute to the funding of community projects throughout the state and local jurisdictions.

After years of struggling with recessionary budgets, we have almost eliminated the state's structural deficit. Current revenues cover 99% of state spending and the state fund balance exceeds \$1 billion. We project a budget surplus by FY 2017. We accomplished this through spending cuts and revenue increases. We implemented these actions strategically, allowing Maryland to retain our AAA Bond Rating while maintaining quality of life for our citizens.

In anticipation of the federal sequestration cuts, we reserved \$100 million. The current budget allows 2.3% in spending increases which is lower than the 4.5% forecasted growth in state personal income. This administration has increased spending less than our four previous administrations.

Education remains our largest budgetary expense. It accounts for almost half of the state's general fund budget. These funds are well spent! Maryland's public school system ranks first in the nation five years running. While other states experience double-digit tuition increases at their public institutions of higher education, tuition in Maryland witnessed a 3% per year increase in each of the past three years following three years of zero tuition increase.

Over the past year, Maryland's private sector accounted for 95% of the 38,200 new jobs in the state.

The legislature looked to more innovative financing mechanisms to support investment and development in our State. By strategically partnering with the private sector instead of continuing to rely on more traditional budget line-items, we can have a more significant impact on the infrastructure development of our State. Serving as a member of the P3 Work Group, I collaborated with my colleagues in the creation and expansion one of the three innovative financing mechanisms among this year's legislation. Public Private Partnership legislation (HB560) passed this year to expand the use of public-private partnerships in Maryland. This innovative financing tool allows State budget dollars to leverage private sector investment, stimulating infrastructure development and creating employment. The legislation creates a streamlined public-private partnership process encouraging private sector investment in infrastructure development in Maryland. Other states using P3s for projects such as wastewater treatment plants, schools, and major transportation projects, enacted laws authorizing and clarifying the P3 process for infrastructure development. This bill focuses on physical infrastructure and the delivery of assets rather than privatization or the contracting out of existing services. Maryland departments overseeing capital projects estimate that with an improved P3 framework, P3s could create as many as 4,000 jobs, and generate an estimated \$160 million to \$240 million annually that could be invested in Maryland transportation projects.

During last year's regular session of the Maryland General Assembly, legislation passed requiring the establishment of the Blue Ribbon Commission to evaluate transportation funding. During the interim, as a serving member of the commission, I worked with colleagues to establish a plan for transportation funding. As a result of the Commission's recommendations, Governor O'Malley proposed and the General Assembly passed a comprehensive transportation funding bill that maintains our economic competitiveness with surrounding states, creates thousands of new jobs, and eases congestion by investing in

our transportation infrastructure. The State's fixed-rate gasoline tax is currently 23.5 cents-per-gallon, was last raised in 1992, and has not kept pace with inflation and rising construction costs. Today, the D.C. and Baltimore metropolitan areas are the 1st and 5th most congested in the nation. By 2017, Maryland will not have enough transportation funding for anything except maintenance of its existing infrastructure.

Surrounding states currently consider or have passed legislation to increase their gas tax rates. House Bill 1515 imposes a 1% sales tax on gasoline starting on July 1, 2013. The rate increases to 2% on January 1, 2015 and to 3% on July 1, 2015. If Congress passes federal Internet sales tax legislation by December 1, 2015 those sales tax revenues are dedicated to transportation. This legislation provides critical funding that allows new transportation projects to move forward.

To reassure State residents that Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) revenues will be used solely for their intended purpose, the General Assembly overwhelmingly approved legislation that asks voters to approve a transportation "lockbox" during the next general election. Under the proposed amendment to the State Constitution, funds may not be transferred from the TTF for any non-transportation purpose unless (1) the Governor, by executive order, declares that a fiscal emergency exists; and (2) a three-fifths majority of all members of the General Assembly approve of the use or transfer of funds.

The General Assembly made a significant investment in Maryland's energy future and economic development with the passage of the Maryland Offshore Wind Energy Act of 2013. As a part of our effort to make renewable energy account for at least 20% of the State's total energy generation, we passed legislation to incentivize the construction of a major wind energy project off of Maryland's coast and ultimately create over 1,000 jobs in construction and ongoing operations.

Beyond renewable energy, the legislature continued its meaningful work in cleaning up and protecting the Chesapeake Bay and its waterways. This work includes establishing a voluntary Maryland Agricultural Certainty Program to certify farms that meet State agricultural nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment reduction goals; and passing a tax credit to help grow the Chesapeake Bay's oyster population by recycling used oyster shells. The legislature also created the Maryland Pesticide Reporting and Information Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a pesticides use database. Pesticides are a pollutant of concern in the Bay since they tend to run off lawns and fields and end up in the tributaries leading to the Bay.

Maryland became the 18th state in the nation to eliminate the use of capital punishment, along with 141 other countries across the globe. This legislation had bipartisan support, because of the concern that one innocent person could be put to death. In 2008, the Maryland Commission on Capital Punishment recommended the repeal of the death penalty. The Commission specifically found that for every 8.7 Americans sentenced to death, one innocent person has been exonerated; the cost to taxpayers for a capital case is 3 times higher than non-death penalty homicide convictions; and racial and jurisdictional disparities exist in Maryland's capital sentencing system. In a 2013 Washington Post poll, 61 percent of voters say life without parole is an acceptable alternative to the death penalty, while only 33 percent say it is not.

The Firearms Safety Act includes not only a ban on military-style assault weapons and high capacity magazine clips like those that killed the children in Newtown, but also a new licensing system for handguns, which account for the majority of gun deaths in our state, required gun safety training courses for first time handgun purchasers, and important new restrictions on access to firearms for those suffering from serious mental illness. In addition, the bill targets straw purchasers (those who buy weapons for individuals prohibited from owning them or unwilling to be

the owner of record) by requiring mandatory reporting of lost and stolen firearms. It creates an additional penalty for the use of "cop killer" ammunition in the commission of a crime and it prohibits gun ownership by those given probation before judgment for serious criminal offenses including domestic violence.

While the requirements contained in the legislation are stringent and designed to protect public safety, the bill was drafted prospectively so as not to place undue burden on or criminalize current gun owners. No Maryland gun owners are required to register their firearms with law enforcement. Licensure requirements apply only to the purchase of weapons after the law takes effect and gun safety training is required only for new gun owners. Law enforcement and active duty military are exempt.

While tough gun laws are important, they are only part of a comprehensive strategy to combat gun violence. In addition to the legislation passed this year, the FY 2014 budget contains over \$37 million aimed at increasing public safety. Highlights include funding for: safety improvements at schools and the creation of a new School Safety center; the Maryland State Police Gun

Center, a new unit that is the hub for gun crime investigation and funding for licensing and background checks; community-based mental health services and crisis intervention teams.

Required under the Federal Affordable Care Act (ACA), the Maryland Health Progress Act of 2013 will prepare Maryland to fully implement the ACA. The legislation ensures Maryland leads the nation in providing access to health care by expanding Medicaid, fully funding the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, moving enrollees out of the Maryland Health Insurance Plan and into the exchange while protecting against "rate-shock", and other necessary changes to be fully compliant with the ACA. The Exchange will be a fair marketplace that provides individuals and small businesses one-stop comparison-shopping for affordable insurance options. Private insurers will offer competitive plans, allowing consumers to compare rates, benefits, and quality to find coverage that best suits their needs. The Exchange will help low-income Marylanders determine their eligibility for Medicaid or federal subsidies to buy private plans, and it supports small business access to affordable coverage. The FY2014 budget assumes \$349M in new federal funds to cover an additional 109,000 Marylanders.

The legislature also created a medical marijuana pilot program to help provide palliative support for ailing Marylanders. The bill creates a Medical Marijuana Commission to identify five academic centers across Maryland that may distribute and prescribe medical marijuana for investigational purposes. An academic medical center operating a program under this law may only use marijuana obtained from the federal government or a medical marijuana grower licensed under the law. House Bill 1101 includes strict controls and regulation by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for the cultivation, prescription and distribution of medical marijuana in medical research, in consultation with medical experts. Seventeen states and the District of Columbia have medical marijuana programs.

Unfortunately, the House and Senate were not able to agree on legislation to repeal the impact of a recent Court of Appeals decision impacting pit bulls. In January, compromise legislation was introduced and passed by the House to eliminate breed-specific laws and prevent people from losing their homes because of the breed of dog they owned. That legislation was amended in the Senate placing a significant legal burden on dog owners in Maryland. A conference committee agreed on legislation that would impose strict liability for any breed of dog in Maryland, and may have impacted every homeowner's insurance rate, regardless of whether a homeowner owned a dog or not. The uncertainty of the impact to the cost and availability of homeowner's insurance ultimately led to failure in the House of Delegates. This issue will remain a focus of our work during the interim, for consideration again in the 2014 legislative session.

As a member of the House Appropriations Committee and the Capital Budget Subcommittee and cooperation with my colleagues, I assisted in acquiring funds for community projects within the District 22. Riverdale Park received a bond for \$250K to assist in the development of the Riverdale Park Town Hall Youth and Community Wing. Berwyn Heights received \$80K to upgrade the power to the Administration Building and Senior Center. The Prince George's County Arts and Humanities Council in Hyattsville received \$75K for a Creative Business Incubator. In addition, I was able to extend a time limit for the Community Forklift and the ECO Farms Projects, allowing them time needed to qualify for grants previously awarded.

Once again, I appreciate the opportunity to serve the citizens of Legislative District 22, Prince George's County and the State of Maryland. Thank you for your correspondence during the 2013 session. Please feel free to contact my office with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Tawanna P. Gaines", written in a cursive style.

Tawanna P. Gaines

BUDGET

The Operating and Capital Budgets

The single most important duty of the General Assembly each year is to pass a state budget for the fiscal year (FY) which begins in July. The FY 2014 budget includes \$325 million in spending cuts, increases the Rainy Day Fund to \$921 million, and reduces the structural deficit by \$318 million. The FY 2014 budget also contains capital expenditures that support over 43,000 jobs rebuilding schools, roads, bridges, and other projects.

However, the single largest investment made in the budget is in public education. The FY 2014 budget contains a record \$7 billion in K-12 education aid and \$25 million for school security enhancements. Initiatives will include cameras at entrances, automatically locking doors, shatterproof glass, and buzzer entrance systems. Lastly, the budget also assists in college completion, and keeps tuition at three percent making college more affordable for more families.

Investing in Transportation and Infrastructure

Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act of 2013 – HB 1515

This year's budget is also unique in that funding for transportation and infrastructure was contingent on the passage of the Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act of 2013. This legislation allows the State to relieve road congestion, address its aging infrastructure, and facilitate economic growth. When fully implemented, this plan will raise an average of \$800 million annually, and is projected to support more than 44,000 jobs over 5 years.

Saving Taxpayer Money

Public-Private Partnerships – HB 560

This legislation is part of an exciting new program to bring private industry and public agencies together to benefit Maryland residents across the state. These public-private partnerships allow for significant infrastructure investment with a minimum cost to taxpayers. This partnership is mutually beneficial because it saves the state money up front and helps establish long-term earnings for private investors.

EDUCATION

State Aid

Certification of Net Taxable Income – HB 229

Under this legislation, Prince George's County receives a \$12 million increase in education funding over the next 5 years. This legislation changes the formula for determining how state aid for public education is awarded to counties. Prior to the enactment of this legislation, the Prince George's County School System had been underfunded every year compared to other jurisdictions.

County Library Capital Project Grant – SB 633

This legislation increases the percentage of funds that the State provides to Prince George's County for library construction and renovation. Prior to 2013, Prince George's County was disproportionately required to provide library funding in comparison to other counties. Beginning in FY 2014 the amount of library construction funding that the State and County have to provide are 67% and 33%, respectively. This is particularly important for our District because the County is planning to build a new state-of-the-art library in the City of Hyattsville.

Race to the Tots – HB 925

The Race to the Tots bill is an important piece of legislation that establishes the Early Learning Challenge and School Readiness Grant Program in the Maryland State Department of Education. The main purpose of the program is to increase the number of children in high-quality early learning programs.

College

College Readiness and Completion Act of 2013 – SB 740

In 2009, 17 states, including Maryland, joined the CCA Alliance of States. The alliance now comprises 33 states that have made college completion a top priority. That year Governor O'Malley set Maryland's completion goal of 55% of the State's residents age 25 to 64 with at least an associate's or bachelor's degree by 2025. This legislation establishes a number of requirements aimed at achieving that goal across the State. These requirements include the following:

- All 11th grade students must be assessed for college readiness using acceptable college placement testing;
- The State must develop 12th grade college transition courses for students that have not achieved college readiness by 11th grade;
- The State must develop a plan to improve college and career counseling for middle and high school students;
- At least 60 credits earned at community colleges in the State must be transferrable to any public four-year institution of higher education for credit towards a bachelors degree;
- At least 30 credits earned at four-year institutions of higher education must be reverse transferrable to a community college for credit towards an associate's degree;
- Beginning with the 9th grade class of 2014, all students must enroll in a mathematics class during all four years of high school; and
- Each undergraduate student enrolled in a public four-year higher education institution must file a degree plan with the institution before the completion of 30 credit hours of coursework.

ON THE ISSUES

Death Penalty

Death Penalty Repeal - HB 295

This legislation bans the use of the death penalty in the state of Maryland. In place of the death penalty will be the sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole. By repealing the death penalty, the Maryland General Assembly has eliminated a form of punishment that is racially biased, largely ineffective, and extremely costly to implement.

Gun Control

Firearms Safety Act of 2013 - HB 294

This legislation expands the regulation of firearms and ammunition in Maryland. These regulations include a licensing procedure for obtaining hand guns, a ban on assault rifles, and a prohibition on the ownership of guns for the mentally ill. In addition, this legislation reduces a guns magazine capacity from 20 to 10 rounds, imposes increased penalties for gun violations, and requires gun owners to receive gun education every 10 years.

Medical Marijuana

Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission – HB 1101

This legislation is a part of Maryland's ongoing commitment to medical research and healthcare in the State. HB 1101 establishes an independent commission within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to oversee research on the medicinal value of marijuana in up to five academic medical centers.

Environment

Maryland Offshore Wind Energy Act of 2013 - HB 226

This legislation allows Maryland to become the first state in the country to build a 40 turbine wind farm off the coast of Ocean City, MD. This legislation also contains a \$10 million investment targeted to small and minority businesses to assist them in preparing to participate in this new industry. Once implemented the wind farm will produce a renewable source of energy that will help stabilize utility rates in the state.

FINANCES

Homeowners

Civil Rights Tax Relief Act – SB 639

This legislation exempts individuals that are victims of unlawful discrimination from having to pay income taxes on monetary compensation that they receive as a result of a settlement or court award.

Homestead Property Tax Credit - Extension - HB 128

This emergency legislation extends the deadline for homeowners to file the Homestead Property Tax Credit (HPTC) application from December 31, 2012 to December 30, 2013. In Prince George's County, HPTC reduces the tax liability for homeowners by capping property tax increases at 2-4% of the home value.

Parent-Teacher Organization Fundraisers - Exemption - HB 232

This legislation provides a sales tax exemption for nonprofit parent-teacher organizations (PTO) or other nonprofit organizations within an elementary, middle, or high school in the State.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Transit Oriented Development

School Facilities Surcharge – HB 1433

Closer to home, the Prince George's County Delegation has also invested in transportation and transit oriented development. Under this legislation, the county school surcharge is reduced by 50% for multifamily housing constructed within one quarter mile of a Metro station, or within the Bowie State MARC Station Community Center Designation Area. This reduction will help incentivize mixed use development and commercial growth around the county's 15 Metro stations.

Prince George's County Public School Reform

Academic Revitalization and Management Effectiveness Initiative – HB 1107

This legislation institutes a number of reforms aimed at improving the Prince George's County School System, the Board of Education governance structure, and education policy in the county. Under these reforms, the Prince George's County Executive will have the following responsibilities:

- Appointment of the Chair and the Vice Chair of the Board of Education

- Appointment of a board member with a high level of knowledge and expertise concerning education;
- Appointment of a board member with a high level of business, finance, or higher education experience;
- Appointment of a board member with a high level of knowledge and expertise concerning the successful administration of a large business, nonprofit, or government entity; and
- Appointment of the school superintendent from a list of three candidates forwarded to the County Executive by a committee of State and local officials.

This legislation also provides the County Council with the following responsibilities:

- Appointment of a board member that is a parent of a student enrolled in Prince George's County Public Schools; and
- Approval of the Prince George's County School Budget as submitted by the Board of Education.

Lastly, this legislation gives the superintendent the following responsibilities:

- Day-to-day operations of the school system;
- The school budget as submitted by the Board of Education and approved by the County Council;
- The consolidation of schools in the county; and
- Oversight of the partnership with the institutions of higher education in the county.

Prince George's County Board of Education - Financial Literacy Curriculum – HB 1073

This legislation authorizes the Prince George's County Board of Education to develop a hands-on course in financial literacy for all eighth grade public school students in the county. The curriculum for this course must include the following:

- Overview of Services Provided by Financial Institutions;
- Interest and Credit;
- Saving and Investing;
- Overview of Sales, Income, and Property Taxes;
- Household Budgeting

22ND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Funding for Local Projects

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council Creative Business Incubator - HB 1479

This legislation authorizes the State to provide \$75,000 in grant funding to the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council. This funding will go toward the planning, repair, renovation, and reconstruction of the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council Creative Business Incubator.

Berwyn Heights Town Administration Building – HB 696

This legislation provides the Town of Berwyn Heights with \$80,000 in grant funding for the installation of emergency generators at the Berwyn Heights Town Administration Building and Senior Center. The objective of an emergency generator for the Town Administration Building is to ensure there is a central location to conduct emergency operations when the police station is without power. In addition, the emergency generators in the Senior Center will ensure that there is a location for residents who are without heat or power during severe storms.

WS X
Riverdale Park Town Hall Youth and Community Wing – HB 608

Under this legislation, the Town of Riverdale Park receives a \$500,000 for the design and construction of the Youth and Community Wing of the Riverdale Park Town Hall. The purpose of the expansion is to promote civic pride, to provide flexible spaces for town meetings, and to serve as a central location for the community's outdoor events.

DELEGATE WASHINGTON LEGISLATION

Special Education

Commission on Special Education Access and Equity - HB 1161

This legislation, one that is especially important to our Prince George's Community, establishes a commission that is required to study current special education practices and ways to improve them. It is my hope that this legislation will help lighten the work loads of special education teachers, ease the frustrations of parents of students with disabilities, and improve the quality of education for the students.

Homeowners

Maryland Credit Services Businesses Act – Amendment – HB 785

This legislation aims to assist the dozens of Prince George's County families that are dealing with real estate short sales. As the economy has improved, the number of families that carry the burden of an underwater mortgage has been reduced. However, there are still many families all across Maryland struggling to get approval from banks to sell their homes. This legislation assists these families by closing a loophole in the current law that prohibits real estate agents and salespersons from helping clients to expedite the short sale process.

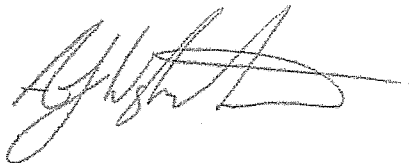
CONCLUSION

As you can see, this session has been an incredibly fruitful one. I look forward to next year being even more productive. As always, I welcome your input on issues that come up over the next year, and I continue to encourage you to come to Annapolis to testify for and against issues being discussed in the General Assembly.

In the interim, I look forward to getting back out in the community, knocking on doors, attending civic association meetings, parent/teacher association meetings and homeowners' association meetings.

I look forward to seeing you in the community, and thank you for the opportunity to serve you!

Sincerely,

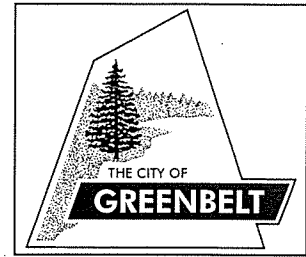


Alonzo T. Washington
Maryland State Delegate

Report to City Council

2013 State Legislative Summary

May 10, 2013



INTRODUCTION

The 2013 Session of the Maryland General Assembly has now ended. Below is my annual summary of those legislative items which the City Council expressed an interest in before and during the 2013 Session.

CITY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Greenbelt's 2013 Legislative Program was presented to our State delegation at the Annual Legislative Dinner on December 11, 2012. The Mid-Term Dinner was held on March 5, 2013 in Annapolis.

There were three joint State/County legislative priorities as follows.

- Protect Municipal Funding Sources
- Funding for Purple Line
- Transit Service Issues

The Program contained two State priorities. These were:

- Revise Noise Barrier Regulations
- Environmental Initiatives

Protecting Municipal Funding Sources was stressed at both Legislative Dinners and throughout the Session. The approved State budget did include increases in highway user funding and police aid.

The City continued to advocate for Purple Line Funding. The General Assembly approved additional transportation funding which can be used for this and other important projects.

Under Transit Service Issues, no additional funds were provided from State sources.

No additional progress was achieved to Revise the Noise Barrier Regulations or obtain additional funding.

None of the Environmental Initiatives proposed by the City were passed.

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

Staff reviewed and evaluated many bills, as well as information from MML, PGCMA, MWCOG, and other sources. During the 2013 Session, the Council took official positions (support or oppose) on 17 bills. Since 2002, the Council has taken positions on as few as 11, and as many as 19 bills.

The City supported 15 bills. Two of these bills passed, one bill amended State Ethics law related to mutual funds and the other was creation of a spay/neuter fund for animals. Legislation which would have addressed the Maryland Court of Appeals decision regarding pit bulls passed in both chambers, but in different forms. A conference committee report was adopted by the Senate, but not the House resulting in this bill's failure.

The City opposed 2 bills. A bill which prohibits a county or municipality from interfering with an electric utility's compliance with vegetation management standards was passed. Legislation that would have limited a municipality's ability to set different property tax rates for different classes of property did not pass.

MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE (MML) LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Restoration of Municipal Highway User Revenues and Allowing for Electronic Posting of Legal Notices were MML's Legislative Priorities for 2013. Mayor Pro Tem Jordan represented the City on the MML Legislative Committee.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION (PGCMA) LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

PGCMA also supported the MML Priorities.

CONCLUSION

For many years now, Greenbelt has been proactive in its legislative advocacy. It is a responsibility that I enjoy and I believe it results in tangible benefits to the community. However, it does consume a significant amount of staff time before, during and after the General Assembly Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

David E. Moran
Assistant City Manager

2013 Legislative Update
May 8, 2013

Bill #	Description	Sup/Opp	Status
PG 401 HB 1111	Bag Fee – Prince George’s County	SUP	Bill never acted on by Delegation. Bill failed.
HB 78 SB 160	Injury/Death Caused by Dog – Rebuttable Presumption	SUP	HB Hearing held 1/30. House Committee voted favorable w/amendments. Bill passed House 133-0. SB hearing held 2/5. Bill passed Committee 11-0 and passed Senate 46-0. House passed SB w/amendments. Conference Committee appointed. Conference Report passed Senate 47-0, but not acted on by the House. Bill failed.
HB 362	Ethics – Definition of Interest – Mutual Fund	SUP	Hearing held 2/12. House Committee voted favorable. Passed House 138-0. Senate hearing held 3/28. Senate Committee voted favorable. Bill passed Senate 42-0. Bill passed.
HB 587	Electric Companies – Vegetation Management	OPP	Hearing held 2/21. House Committee voted favorable. Passed House 138-0. Senate hearing held 3/28. Passed Senate 35-12. Bill passed and Signed by the Governor on 4/9.
HB 767 SB 820	Animal Welfare – Spay/Neuter Fund	SUP	HB hearing held 2/21. House Committee voted 19-5 favorable. Passed House 113-23. Senate Committee voted favorable. SB hearing held 3/5. Senate Committee voted favorable with amendment. Passed Senate 46-1. Passed House 113-25. Bills Passed.
SB 641 HB 1085	Statewide Container Recycling Incentive Program	SUP	SB hearing held 3/5. HB hearing held 3/8. House Economic Committee voted 20-2 unfavorable. House Environmental Committee voted 23-0 unfavorable. Bills Failed.
SB 28	Blighted Property Nuisance Abatement	SUP w/amend	Hearing held 1/29. Senate Committee voted 9-2 favorable. Passed Senate 44-3. House Hearing on 4/4. Bill Failed.
SB 389	Speed Monitoring Systems - Enforcement	SUP	Hearing held 2/20. Bill Failed.

Bill #	Description	Sup/Opp	Status
SB 601 HB 1274	Moratorium on Hydraulic Fracturing	SUP	SB hearing held 2/26. Senate Committee voted 6-5 unfavorable. HB hearing held 3/8. House Committee voted 24-0 unfavorable. Bills Failed.
HB 820 SB 893	Municipal Property Taxes – Special Rates	OPP	HB hearing held 2/28. SB hearing 3/15 at 1:00. Bill Failed.
HB 1177	Street Lighting – Purchase by Local Governments	SUP	Hearing held 3/7. House Committee voted 19-1 unfavorable. Bill Failed.
HB 679	Group Homes – Notice Requirement	SUP	Hearing on 3/7. House Committee voted 12-9 unfavorable. Bill Failed.
HB 741	Public Service Commission – Notice Period	SUP	Hearing held 2/21. Committee voted 20-2 unfavorable. Bill Failed.
HB 825	Public Service Commission – Video & Audio Recordings	SUP	Hearing held 2/20. Committee voted 22-1 unfavorable. Bill Failed.
SB 699 HB 1128	Community Energy Projects – Pilot Program	SUP	SB hearing held 3/5. Senate Committee voted 6-5 unfavorable. HB hearing held 3/7. Bills Failed.
HB 1069	Beginning of School Year – Labor Day	SUP	Hearing held 2/27. Bill Failed.
HB 1086 SB 576	Statewide Bag Fee	SUP	HB hearing held 3/8. SB hearing held 2/26. Bills Failed.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 1963, May has been proclaimed by the President of the United States to be Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, this year the theme for Older Americans Month is "Unleash the Power of Age"; and

WHEREAS, Greenbelt is home to more than 3,500 citizens who are 55 years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that, both in our city and throughout our nation, the numbers of older Americans and of individuals providing care to older family members and friends are growing rapidly and that Greenbelt has made a commitment to being a supportive community for its older residents, especially through Green Ridge House and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program; and

WHEREAS, with the changing needs of the Baby Boomer Generation, the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program has begun to adapt its activities and services and its model of delivery in an effort to meet the needs of an ever-growing, diverse older adult population; and

WHEREAS, the ability for older citizens to age in place can be greatly increased with continued supportive services which will reduce the unnecessary decline in cognitive, social, and physical abilities; with tools to enable residents' easy access to health and wellness information and programs; and with affordable housing and community-based wellness options that make possible an array of choices for care and support, even extended to a home setting as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Judith F. Davis, by the authority vested in me by the citizens and City Council of Greenbelt, do hereby proclaim May to be

Older Americans Month 2013

in Greenbelt and urge all our citizens to honor our older residents, during May and throughout the year, as a diverse group of individuals who are among the most active and involved older adult populations in our nation's history.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to be affixed this 13th day of May 2013.

JUDITH F. DAVIS, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 1960, the American Public Works Association has designated National Public Works Week to celebrate the tens of thousands of men and women in North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services collectively known as public works; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Because of Public Works"; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and comfort of the citizens of Greenbelt greatly depends upon the efficient operation of our Public Works Department—in all seasons and all kinds of weather—from the many successful clean-up, refuse and recycling initiatives; to road and sidewalk construction and maintenance; to the trees, plants, and flowers for which the City is well-known; and to the excellent maintenance of City playgrounds, athletic fields, and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Greenbelt appreciate the professionalism of our Public Works Department staff and respect the importance of the work they perform to such a high standard every day in our City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Judith F. Davis, by the authority vested in me by the citizens and City Council of Greenbelt, do hereby proclaim May 19-25, 2013, as

PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

in Greenbelt and call upon all our citizens and civic organizations to learn about the issues involved in providing Public Works services and to recognize the contributions our Public Works personnel make daily to enhance the quality of life throughout our community for both present and future generations of Greenbelt residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to be affixed this 13th day of May 2013.

JUDITH F. DAVIS
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, April 8, 2013.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Emmett V. Jordan, Silke I. Pope, Edward V.J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, and Mayor Judith F. Davis. Councilmember Leta M. Mach was out of town attending a family wedding.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David Moran, Assistant City Manager; John Shay, City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis asked for a moment of silence in memory of Greenbelt residents Jennifer Barbara White, Barbara Jane Byrd and Catherine O'Brien, and former residents Carl Gussio, Benjamin P. Goldfaden, Leonard Eli Mikesell and William Owen Ransom. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Jordan requested the minutes of the February 25, 2013, agenda be removed from the agenda. With this change, Mr. Putens moved that the agenda be approved. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meeting, March 11, 2013

Approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advisory Planning Board, Report #2013-2 (Detailed Site Plan for Magnolia Gardens Nursing Home): Council accepted this report and will consider it on the agenda later this evening.

REAPPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BOARDS: Council appointed John Lippert to a new term on the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability.

RESIGNATION FROM ADVISORY BOARD: Council accepted the resignation of George Branyan from the Advisory Planning Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. McLaughlin requested "Briefing on Revised County Legislation" be added to the agenda after Agenda Item #17. With this addition, Mr. Putens moved that the agenda be approved. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

ACE Educator Awards Ceremony: Mayor Davis introduced Janet Mirsky, member of the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). Ms. Mirsky explained the purpose of the ACE

Outstanding Educator Awards, gave an overview of ACE's other activities, and described the gifts and certificates to be presented tonight. She said this was the 18th consecutive year that the ACE Awards had been presented, and thanked the City Council for its support over that period.

Ms. Mirsky recognized Jon Gardner, Donald Rich and Elsie Waynes, ACE members; Councilmember Mach, ACE council liaison; Rosalind Ceasar, ACE staff liaison; County Councilmember Ingrid M. Turner; County School Board Member Peggy Higgins; Sarah Verbofsky, Community Liaison for Delegate Alonzo Washington - representing the State Delegation; Monica Gaines, Principal of Greenbelt Elementary School; Michael Kenny, Resident Principal of Springhill Lake Elementary School; Phyllis Gillens, Principal of Magnolia Elementary School; Rhonda Clomax, Principal of Turning Point Academy; Warren Tweedy, Principal of Greenbelt Middle School; and Reginald McNeill, Principal of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

The following 2013 award recipients were recognized, and gifts and citations were presented from ACE, the City Council, the County Council and the General Assembly.

Sally Wagner	Eleanor Roosevelt High School
Robert Stradford	Greenbelt Middle School
Shana Sterkin	Springhill Lake Elementary School
Leonor Fernandez	Magnolia Elementary School
Brenda Mayo	Turning Point Academy
Andrew Karnes	Greenbelt Elementary School

Arbor Day Proclamation: In keeping with its designation as a "Tree City USA," Mayor Davis issued a proclamation in recognition of Arbor Day. Charles Jackman, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Trees, received the proclamation and provided an overview of this year's Arbor Day plans.

Earth Day Proclamation: Mayor Davis issued a proclamation marking the 43rd Anniversary of Earth Day. Kim Walsh, representing the Chesapeake Education Arts Research Society (CHEARS), and Luisa Robles, the City's Recycling Coordinator, received the proclamation and gave an overview of this year's Earth Day plans and activities.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS: None

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting, February 25, 2013: Under Council Reports, Mr. Jordan said he had not attended the Angarai II Open House. With this change, he moved that the minutes be approved. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: None

COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilmembers commented on their attendance at the following events.

Greenbelt Little League Opening Day – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Herling,
Mr. Putens and Ms. Pope
Friends of New Deal Café Arts Reception/Poetry Box Dedication – Mayor Davis,
Mr. Jordan and Mr. Herling
Dr. Ida Jones Lecture at the Greenbelt Library in Recognition of Women’s History
Month – Mr. Jordan
Alice Ferguson Foundation Cleanup – Mr. Jordan
Easter Egg Hunt – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Mach, Mr. Putens and Ms. Pope
Underwater Easter Egg Hunt – Mayor Davis and Ms. Mach
Prince George’s County NAACP Women’s History Month Presentation/Greetings –
Mayor Davis
University of Maryland STEM Expo/Greetings – Mayor Davis

Mayor Davis reported that she and Mr. McLaughlin had met with seven parliamentarians from Iraq’s Council of Representatives to discuss the mission of municipal government. This meeting had been arranged by the Department of State.

Mayor Davis congratulated Robotics Team Illusion 4464 from Lanham who received the Rookie of the Year Award at the DC Regional Championship. The team consists of several students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

LEGISLATION:

An Ordinance to Amend Article 1 “In General” of Chapter 2 “Administration” of the Greenbelt City Code to Add a New Section 2-4 Entitled “Confidential Information”

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens introduced the ordinance for first reading.

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 2 “Administration” Article IV “Ethics” of the Greenbelt City Code

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Jordan introduced this ordinance for first reading.

A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of Consulting Services for the City’s Organizational Assessment from The Matrix Consulting Group at a Cost of \$49,900

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Herling introduced this resolution for first reading and moved suspension of the rules in order to allow second reading and passage of the ordinance tonight. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Mr. Jordan - yes
Ms. Mach - absent
Ms. Pope - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

Mr. Herling introduced the resolution for second reading and moved that it be adopted.
Mr. Putens seconded.

Bill Orleans asked and was provided answers to several questions.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Mr. Jordan - yes
Ms. Mach - absent
Ms. Pope - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - no
Mayor Davis - yes

Mr. Roberts said he did not feel this expense was necessary.

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1098, Book 8).

A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of an Emergency Back-Up Generator for the Greenbelt
Municipal Building from Cummins Power Systems

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Jordan introduced the resolution for first reading.

SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, REPORT #2013-1 – POLICE
DEPARTMENT DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Ginny Jones, Chair of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee (SCAC), reported an elderly driver had stopped her one evening when walking and asked for directions to the Police Department. She said she then noticed there was no directional signage in the City for the Police Department.

Ms. Jones explained she took the concern to SCAC for their consideration. Ms. Jones, along with Betty Timer and Henry Haslinger, members of SCAC, said the committee recommends that since the current Police Department signage is not immediately obvious from Crescent Road, a larger, more visible sign would be more appropriate. They also recommend that directional signage to the Police Department at Roosevelt Center and/or on Greenbelt Road would be useful and appropriate.

Mr. Putens moved that Council refer the SCAC Report #2013-1 to the Advisory Planning Board, Public Safety Advisory Board, and Planning staff for their review. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD, REPORT #2013-2 – DETAILED SITE PLAN FOR MAGNOLIA GARDENS NURSING HOME: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the detailed site plan for the Magnolia Gardens Nursing Home. She reported that the Advisory Planning Board provided constructive criticism of the proposed pedestrian circulation system and has requested that the applicant further address the feasibility of providing a more direct pedestrian connection from Mallery Drive to the front entrance of the facility, as well as a pedestrian connection from the neighboring residential development. Ms. Hruby advised that Planning staff concurs with the need for a more direct pedestrian route to the facility's main entrance off Mallery Drive, but feels the City should defer to the neighboring residential community and Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) regarding a connection from their neighborhood to the sidewalk along the eastern access drive.

Mr. Ramon Benitez and Mr. Phil Down, representing the applicant, said they held numerous discussions with the neighboring residential community. Mr. Benitez indicated that if the residential community recommends the pedestrian connection, they will work to make it occur. Mr. Down advised that County Code would not allow them to include a sidewalk from Mallery Drive to the front entrance of the facility because of grade issues.

Mr. Jordan moved Council support the recommendation of the Advisory Planning Board and ask that the pedestrian access to the facility be reevaluated. There was no second. Motion failed.

After further discussion, Ms. Pope moved that Council take no position on the detailed site plan for the Magnolia Gardens Nursing Home but request that the following concerns be reviewed: a more direct pedestrian connection from Mallery Drive to the main building entrance be provided with a sidewalk along the western access drive; the entire layout of the building with relation to the main entrance be reevaluated; and if desirable by the neighboring residential community and/or M-NCPPC, a pedestrian connection be provided from Nightingale Drive to the proposed sidewalk along the eastern access drive. Mr. Jordan seconded.

Mr. Roberts suggested that the existing facility be torn down completely and an entirely new facility constructed.

The motion passed 6-0.

BRIEFING ON REVISED COUNTY LEGISLATION: Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning, provided an update on CB 6 – Transit Oriented Priority Development and CB 12 – Transit Oriented Jobs Act which Council had discussed at its March 11, 2013, meeting. She advised that these two bills had been blended into a new proposed bill that addresses several of the City's concerns: transit oriented projects are limited to detailed site plan approval; projects

must be within a one-half mile radius of a Metro site (only the North Core in Greenbelt would qualify); at time of application, applicant must submit in writing the methods of public outreach to municipalities and homeowner associations; best urban design methods must be utilized; local governments can ask for extension for due cause; and a 60 day review with the clock beginning when the application is formally accepted by the County. Ms. Hruby said it appears the bill is generally going in a positive direction. However, she added that the bill does include a provision that if there is no decision by the Planning Board within 60 days the project is deemed approved which should be opposed.

Ms. Hruby said it was not necessary for Council to take a position on the proposed bill at this time. She said it would return to Council for formal position if and when it is scheduled to be presented to the County Council.

FY 2014 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (CR-22-2013): Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Ms. Pope moved that Council send a letter supporting CR-22-2013, the County's FY 2014 Annual Action Plan which allocates Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other Federal funding for Program Year (PY) 39 (7/1/13-6/30/14), but requesting funding for the Springhill Lake Parking Lot project if additional monies become available. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS RESOLUTION ON GUN CONTROL: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mayor Davis explained that the Council of Governments Board would be discussing the reconsideration of Resolution #13-2013 (Adoption of the Position of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Regarding the Prevention of Gun Violence) at its meeting on April 10. She said if reconsideration passes, then the substitute draft resolution provided in Council's packet would be introduced in its place.

After discussion, Council directed that the Mayor vote against reconsideration of Resolution #13-2013 but if it should pass, then to vote for the substitution Resolution.

SELECTION OF AUDIT SERVICES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. Putens moved that Council approve the firm of McGladrey, LLC to perform audit services for fiscal year 2013 and a bid solicitation be issued for audit services for fiscal year 2014. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

OTHER REPORTS: None

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Herling moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, April 8, 2013, at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held April 8, 2013."

Judith F. Davis
Mayor

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, April 22, 2013.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Emmett V. Jordan, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V.J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, and Mayor Judith F. Davis.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David Moran, Assistant City Manager; Robert Manzi, City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis asked for a moment of silence in memory of Greenbelt resident David Schalet, former resident Warren R. "Shep" Sheppard Sr., and the victims of the disasters at the Boston Marathon and in West, Texas. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Putens moved that the consent agenda be approved. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meeting, March 27, 2013

Work Session, April 3, 2013

Interview, April 15, 2013

Work Session #1, April 17, 2013

Approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Report #2013-1 (Contribution and Recognition Groups): Council accepted this report and will consider it at the Contribution Group budget work session scheduled for May 1, 2013.

APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BOARDS: Council appointed Trevor Liburd to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability and Donna Almquist to the Forest Preserve Advisory Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Putens moved that the agenda be approved. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

National Board Certified Teachers: Mayor Davis recognized Clarelisa Rivera and Lisa Yearwood, teachers at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, who obtained their National Board Certification this school year. Council presented Ms. Rivera and Ms. Yearwood with certificates recognizing their accomplishment.

National Kids to Parks Day Proclamation: Mayor Davis issued a proclamation in recognition of the third annual “National Kids to Parks Day” which will be held on May 18, 2013. Julie McHale, Director of Recreation, received the proclamation and provided an overview of this year’s events.

Introduction of New Police Officer: Capt. Carl Schinner introduced Greenbelt’s newest police officer, Charles A. Wooten. Council welcomed Officer Wooten.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY 2014 BUDGET: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. She then announced the meeting was recessed at 8:12 p.m. for the hearing.

There was no public comment.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:13 p.m.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:

Sue Krofchik, 6 Fayette Place, reported that current City policy does not allow the public to utilize the first floor restrooms of the Community Center when camp programs are in session in the building and children are using the restrooms. Ms. Krofchik mentioned the difficulty this places on the public, especially seniors and those with medical conditions, and requested a change in the policy be considered.

Joe Murray, 9-Q Research, presented a written request for a campfire ring to be built on City property at Northway Field so that groups of people can have permitted fires and community gatherings.

MINUTES:

Statement for the Record – Executive Session of April 17, 2013: Mr. Jordan moved that in accordance with Section 10-509 (c)(2) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland*, the minutes of tonight’s meeting reflect that Council met in executive session on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at 7:32 p.m. in Room 201 of the Greenbelt Community Center. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a) (9) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to discuss collective bargaining negotiations.

Vote to close session:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Herling	X			
Mr. Jordan	X			
Ms. Mach	X			
Ms. Pope	X			

Mr. Putens				X
Mr. Roberts	X			
Mayor Davis	X			

The following staff members were in attendance: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David Moran, Assistant City Manager; Mary Johnson, Human Resources Director; James Craze, Police Chief; and Carl Schinner, Police Captain.

Other individuals in attendance: None

Council took no actions during this session.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: None

COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilmembers noted their attendance at Earth Day, Arbor Day, Public Works Open House, Celebration of Spring and Kale-a-Rama celebrations. They also commented on their attendance at the following events.

Maryland Municipal League (MML) Leadership Meeting – Mayor Davis and Ms. Mach

MML If I Were Mayor Contest Essay Review – Ms. Mach

Prince George's County Municipal Association Meeting – Mr. Jordan, Mr. Herling and Ms. Mach

Friends of Greenbelt Movie Theater Meeting – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Herling

Retirement Celebration for Ellen Utley, Branch Manager of Greenbelt Library – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Putens and Mr. Herling

State Delegate Alonzo Washington's Meet and Greet – Mr. Putens, Mr. Jordan and Ms. Pope

Prince George's County Arts and Humanities Council Board Meeting – Mr. Herling

Roosevelt Club Meeting with Lt. Governor Brown – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan and Mr. Herling

Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department Banquet – Mayor Davis and Mr. Jordan

Police Chiefs Association of Prince George's County Annual Awards Ceremony – Mayor Davis, Mr. Jordan and Ms. Mach

Greenbelt Elementary School Open House for Early Childhood Program - Mr. Jordan

Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors Meeting – Mayor Davis

Golden Age Club Annual Luncheon – Mayor Davis and Mr. Putens

MML Executive Committee Meeting – Mayor Davis

Springhill Lake Elementary School Annual Earth Day Cleanup – Mayor Davis and Ms. Pope

MML Eastern Shore Chapter Meeting – Mayor Davis

MML Cecil/Harford County Chapter Meeting – Mayor Davis

Braden Field Cleanup by Girl Scout Troop 5859 – Mayor Davis

Ms. Pope congratulated Brennan Bathauer and Jay Gonzalez for taking 3rd Place in the Prince George's County School's STEM Fair. Mr. Bathauer and Mr. Gonzalez are 8th grade students at Greenbelt Middle School.

Mayor Davis congratulated Linda Shevitz on her induction into the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame.

Mayor Davis reported that Greenbelt had been presented with the St. George's Day Award from the Prince George's County Historical Society in celebration of our 75th Anniversary. She also noted that Greenbelt had received a Tree City USA Award (for the 13th consecutive year) from the Arbor Day Foundation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

LEGISLATION:

An Ordinance to Amend Article 1 "In General" of Chapter 2 "Administration" of the Greenbelt City Code to Add a New Section 2-4 Entitled "Confidential Information"

Mr. Putens moved that Council defer the ordinance for further study and discussion at a future work session. Ms. Mach seconded.

Ms. Pope said she preferred more in-depth study on the confidentiality matter before enacting the ordinance. However, she stressed that she supports some type of safeguard be enacted to provide for the protection of confidential information.

Mr. Putens noted this matter is under consideration because of concerns regarding information leaking out of closed executive sessions, especially information regarding personnel issues. He commented that action is needed to provide for the protection of confidential information for both employees and citizens.

Mr. Roberts said the ordinance should be voted on this evening. Mr. Jordan said the ordinance should remain on the normal legislative schedule.

Craig Tooley, 105 Lakeside Drive; Bill Orleans, Greenbelt; and Sue Stern 5-K Gardenway, urged Council to vote in opposition of the ordinance this evening.

Mayor Davis read a letter (attached) received by Council from William Hunt, 7 Olivewood Court, who was unable to attend this evening and present his concerns in person. Mr. Hunt urged Council to postpone consideration of the proposed legislation.

Sylvia Lewis, 2-C Gardenway, expressed concern regarding the level of trust, or lack of trust, that will be placed on the City by employees, citizens, other municipalities and government agencies. She commented on the need for confidential information to remain confidential in many circumstances.

In response to a question from Mayor Davis, Mr. Manzi explained that this issue had not been referred to the City's Ethics Commission because it did not fall within the scope of their mission which is limited to financial matters. He said if an employee or member of Council received a personal or economic gain from the disclosure of the confidential information, then it could be referred to the Commission.

Mr. Jordan stated that there could be a circumstance of intentional release and suggested the City may want to modify the charge of the Ethics Commission.

Mr. Manzi reviewed Section 10-508 (a) (9) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* which defines the specific circumstances which allow for Council to hold a closed executive session.

Andy Smitdinski, 9-R Research Road, asked and was provided answers to questions regarding closed meetings.

Harris Maclay, 3-D Eastway, suggested a ballot referendum be considered given the strong feelings of many residents regarding the matter.

As requested by Mayor Davis, Mr. McLaughlin explained the Council procedures for adoption of resolutions and ordinances.

Ruth Kastner, 125 Hedgewood, said she understands matters regarding personnel should be considered confidential but felt the definition of confidentiality as proposed in the ordinance was too broad and should be more defined.

Ms. Mach said she believed the penalty for violators was too strong and suggested that censure may be a more appropriate penalty. Mayor Davis added that a "whistle blower" clause should be included in the ordinance.

Tom Jones, 1-C Woodland Way, expressed concern that more information is not available to the public. He said openness is of far greater importance than punishing individuals who violate matters of confidentiality.

Velma Kahn, 2-L Research, said the way the proposed ordinance is written is tainted and gives the impression of avoiding integrity. She recommends the ordinance be rejected and a more appropriate ordinance be considered.

Michele Touchet, 6-M Plateau, said Council should vote to oppose the proposed ordinance tonight. She said the ordinance is too broad in scope and threatening jail time or fines for violators is counterproductive.

Chuck Hess, 42-D Ridge Road, suggested Council alleviate the fears of those present at the meeting and vote to oppose the ordinance tonight and schedule a public work session

to further discuss the matter and have another more defined ordinance introduced at a later time. He commented that he feels the intent of the ordinance is good but there were enough concerns with the ordinance as written that further work was needed.

Eugenia Kalnay, 56 Lakeside Drive, spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Elizabeth Barber, 16-Z-1 Ridge Road, commented on the costs associated with criminal incarceration.

Susan Barnett, 12-H Plateau Place, said the language of the proposed ordinance needs to be more specific to the goal to be accomplished.

Mr. Roberts said he views the proposed ordinance as an opportunity for individuals to falsely accuse people of violations which will lead to potential infighting and a division amongst members. He added that the entire matter is based upon a false accusation against him and that he was waiting for a public acknowledgement that he had not violated any law.

Mr. Putens said the proposed ordinance had nothing to do with the incident Mr. Roberts was speaking about. He added that Council must take some action to prevent disclosure of confidential information discussed in executive sessions.

Sue Stern, 5-K Gardenway, noted her opposition to the ordinance. She added that the elected leaders are outstanding individuals who practice high moral standards but added that all humans are subject to make mistakes on occasion. Ms. Stern recognized and acknowledged the public service of Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Tooley expressed opposition to the proposed legislation and noted Council should not be allowed to remove a member for bad behavior.

Mr. Putens withdrew his original motion. Ms. Mach withdrew her second of the original motion.

Mr. Putens introduced the ordinance for second reading and Council action. Mr. Herling seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	no
	Mr. Jordan	-	no
	Ms. Mach	-	no
	Ms. Pope	-	no
	Mr. Putens	-	no
	Mr. Roberts	-	no
	Mayor Davis	-	no

The ordinance failed.

Mayor Davis moved that Council hold a work session on confidentiality as soon as it can be scheduled, and requested staff to further review the matter. Mr. Putens seconded. Mayor Davis and Mr. Herling encouraged the public participation at the work session and/or submit comments on the matter to Council by phone calls, mail, e-mail, etc. Mr. Herling requested that the work session be televised.

The motion passed 7-0.

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 2 “Administration” Article IV “Ethics” of the Greenbelt City Code

Mr. Jordan introduced the ordinance for second reading and moved that it be adopted. Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Mr. Jordan	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes
	Ms. Pope	-	yes
	Mr. Putens	-	yes
	Mr. Roberts	-	yes
	Mayor Davis	-	yes

The ordinance was declared adopted (Ordinance No. 1327, Book).

A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of an Emergency Back-Up Generator for the Greenbelt Municipal Building from Cummins Power Systems

Mr. Jordan introduced the resolution for second reading and moved that it be adopted. Ms. Pope seconded.

Mr. Roberts asked if purchase of the generator was necessary given the current fiscal constraints. Mr. Moran explained that the Municipal Building is the communications hub for many City facilities and the new generator is needed in order to maintain communications and other essential services.

In response to a question from Ms. Mach, Mr. Moran explained that the proposed generator would not provide power to maintain elevator service. Mr. Jordan and Ms. Mach asked if the generator could be expanded in the future to provide power for more services such as the elevator. Mr. Moran said no, a larger and more costly generator would be needed.

Mr. Roberts said he believes a new generator is needed at some point in the future but not necessarily at this time.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Mr. Jordan	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes

Ms. Pope	-	yes
Mr. Putens	-	yes
Mr. Roberts	-	no
Mayor Davis	-	yes

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1099, Book 8).

A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of a New Truck Body and Lift Gate from Intercon Truck Equipment of Joppa, Maryland at a Cost of \$15,431

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach introduced the resolution for first reading.

GREENBELT FARMERS MARKET – REQUEST FOR WINE SAMPLING: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Joe Gareri, Board Member of Greenbelt Farmers Market (GFM), commented on the importance of allowing wine samplings to enhance the success of wine vendors at the market. He said several Maryland wineries had initially expressed interest in participating in the GFM but when they were informed that wine samplings were not allowed, their interest dwindled. Mr. Gareri said Elk Run Winery was the only winery that participated last season. He requested Council consider allowing the sampling of wines at GFM.

Mr. Jordan asked about wine sales/samplings at other area farmers markets. Mr. Gareri said Riverdale and Cheverly have been allowing wine sales and wine samplings for several years.

Ms. Janna Howley, University of Maryland Extension Center Agriculture Market Specialist for Prince Georges County, said Maryland wineries are eager to participate in the GFM which has a solid reputation of being a quality farmers market. She explained that the success of wine sales at farmers markets is dependent on their ability to offer samples of their products.

Mr. Putens moved that Council hold a public hearing on wine sampling at the GFM. Mr. Jordan seconded.

Mr. Roberts said he would vote in support of the public hearing but would not support any changes to the existing City Code that would allow alcohol use on City property.

The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVAL OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENBELT AND FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE NO. 32 TO TAKE EFFECT JULY 1, 2013: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. McLaughlin and MPO Mike Lanier, Vice President of Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 32 (FOP), complimented the City and FOP bargaining teams on negotiation of the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA).

Mr. Orleans asked and was provided answers to several questions.

Mr. Putens moved that Council approve the CBA between the City and the FOP to take effect July 1, 2013, for a period of one year. Ms. Pope seconded.

Mr. Roberts questioned the anticipated City costs associated with the CBA. Mr. McLaughlin estimated the costs would be in the range of \$75,000 to \$100,000.

The motion passed 7-0.

MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION FORMULA 2040: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mayor Davis suggested the following changes to the letter: first bullet of the proposed letter include “work to insure municipalities and other alternative service providers are not infringed upon or negatively impacted when prioritizing future development;” moving the last bullet item to the fourth bullet item and add “ensure public transportation to facilities is readily available for seniors and youth;” and include in third paragraph “expansion of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center would be an opportunity for a public-private partnership.” Ms. Mach suggested the first bullet also include “engage municipalities in both the decision making process related to facilities within city boundaries as well as the process related to the implementation of the Formula 2040 Plan.”

Ms. Pope moved that Council send the letter proposed by staff on the Formula 2040 Plan, including the edits by Mayor Davis and Ms. Mach, which offers City support and identifies specific recommendations related to areas where the City believes greater consideration is needed prior to approval and implementation of the 2040 MP. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

OTHER REPORTS: Councilmembers presented reports on the following meetings and conferences they recently attended.

Mayor Davis – Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors Meeting

Mr. Jordan – COG Transportation Planning Board Meeting

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Mach moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, April 22, 2013, at 12:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held April 22, 2013."

Judith F. Davis
Mayor

Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board Report 13-2
Recommendation to the Greenbelt City Council
April 22, 2013

Subject: Evaluation of FY14 Recognition Group and Contribution Group Applications

Background

At their March 5, 2013 meeting, the Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board (AAB) reviewed applications for renewal of Recognition Group status from Greenbelt Pottery Group, the Greenbelt Writers Group, and Transitions Theater, Inc. These are the only groups from which Recognition Group applications were received. The Board also reviewed an application for renewal of Contribution Group status by the Greenbelt Concert Band. Board members present at this meeting included: Tatiana Ausema (Chair), John Drago, Cassandra Harper, Mark Granfors-Hunt (briefly), Gale Martineau, Tiahna Nugent, Anna Socrates (Vice Chair), Shane Wisdom and Ginny Zanner. Also present were Nicole DeWald (staff liaison) and Meeka Nugent (guest, Tiahna's mother). Members absent from this meeting included Mary Harrison (without prior notice) and Oliver Gaycken (with prior notice; provided written input before the meeting).

At their April 2, 2013 meeting, the Board reviewed applications for renewal of Contribution Group status and FY14 funding from Friends of New Deal Café Arts and the Greenbelt Arts Center. The Board also reviewed a third application for first time Contribution Group designation from alight dance theater. Board members present included: John Drago, Mark Granfors-Hunt, Gale Martineau, Tiahna Nugent, Anna Socrates (Vice Chair) and Shane Wisdom. Also present were Konrad Herling (Council liaison), Nicole DeWald (staff liaison), and Molly Lester (guest and supporter of alight dance theater). Absent from the meeting were: Tatiana Ausema (with prior notice), Ginny Zanner (with prior notice; provided written input before the meeting), and Cassandra Harper (without prior notice).

Summary Recommendations

1. AAB members present at their March 5 meeting voted unanimously to recommend that Recognition Group status be renewed for the City's Fiscal Year 2014 for all applicant arts organizations, including: Greenbelt Pottery Group, the Greenbelt Writers Group, and Transitions Theater, Inc.
2. AAB members present at their April 2 meeting voted unanimously to recommend that alight dance theater be granted Contribution Group status. Of the four Contribution Group applicant organizations, alight received the Board's highest combined rating for service to the community, organizational effectiveness and artistic merit.

Detailed Findings: Recognition Groups

Greenbelt Pottery Group

Represented at the meeting by Andrea Schewe (President)

Board members unanimously recommended renewal of this organization's Recognition Group status.

Comments: "very worthwhile"; "good products, good causes"; "showed member[ship?] growth"; "An excellent asset for the City of Greenbelt and Community Center. Keep working on outreach, looking forward to empty bowls [charitable event]"

Concerns: "Higher percent of...non-resident members than [Greenbelt] members"

Greenbelt Writers Group

Represented at the meeting by Carol Griffith (Treasurer)

Board members unanimously recommended renewal of this organization's Recognition Group status.

Comments: "I am impressed at the range of speakers and activities"; "they are a very independent and sustainable group"; "part of the arts fabric of the city"; "suggested getting in contact with [Prince George's County] Historical Society to add their anthology to their collections"

Concerns: "Hasn't shown member[ship] growth"

Transitions Theater, Inc.

Represented at the meeting by Misha R'kingsley (President) and Dirk R'kingsley (Board member)

Board members unanimously recommended renewal of this organization's Recognition Group status.

Comments: "Awesome original programming"; "fascinating work"; "community involvement"; "I am particularly impressed with your willingness to engage with difficult topics and bring them to the community"

Concerns: "expand the membership base past 5"

Detailed Findings: Contribution Groups

alight dance theater

Represented at the meeting by Angella Foster (President/ Artistic Director)

Overall Score: 4.5 (outstanding)

Service to the Community: 4.6 (outstanding)

Organizational Effectiveness: 4.4 (very good)

Artistic Merit: 4.4 (very good)

Comments: “A premier arts organization in Greenbelt”; “enthusiastic and inventive in arousing community participation and interest”; “They create original work that is accessible to a wide variety of audiences”; “They have pursued collaborations with other groups and institutions in Greenbelt: the schools, the Museum, the Cheers gardens, NASA scientists”; “Like the outreach with kids”; “alight meets all the [Contribution Group] criteria and is a valuable asset to the community”; “they’ve done as much or more than other groups in getting outside funding”; “an example to other groups”

Concerns: “without the city’s stamp of approval by making them a contribution group, they may be in a worse competitive position to get county and state funding”

Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA)

Represented at the meeting by Barbara Simon (President) and Leeann Irwin (Board member)

Overall Score: 4.4 (very good)

Service to the Community: 4.4 (very good)

Organizational Effectiveness: 4.3 (very good)

Artistic Merit: 4.6 (outstanding)

Comments: Members expressed appreciation for the Café’s outdoor music concerts, artists’ studio tour, 75th Anniversary programming, and new poetry moment project to which FONDCA has given financial support.

Concerns: “They don’t seem very open”; “Perhaps they could do more with a wider membership”

Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC)

Represented at the meeting by Malca Giblin (Vice President), Patricia Evans (Treasurer), and Sandy Irving (volunteer - book keeper)

Overall Score: 3.8 (very good)

Service to the Community: 4 (very good)

Organizational Effectiveness: 3.6 (very good)

Artistic Merit: 3.8 (very good)

Comments: "They provide a full calendar of performances every year"; "ambitious theatre projects"; "have made space available to other groups"

Concerns: "more than half of their board and membership is outside of Greenbelt"; "their general manager doesn't get a living wage"; "...it is the same 20 people that do the shows"

Greenbelt Concert Band (GCB)

Represented at the meeting by Tom Cherrix (Conductor) and David Clarke (Manager)

Overall Score: 4.2 (very good)

Service to the Community: 4.5 (very good)

Organizational Effectiveness: 3.8 (good)

Artistic Merit: 4.3 (very good)

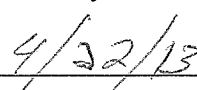
Comments: "lots of performances"; "they offer enjoyment to nursing home residents and [the] community of Greenbelt"

Concerns: "None of the officers live in Greenbelt"; "It's a problem that they don't fundraise and other groups do" (several members expressed this as a strong concern.)

Authorization

This report is submitted on behalf of the Arts Advisory Board by:


Tatiana Ausema, Chair


Date

**Report #2013-1
April 18, 2013**

Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Trees – Report to the City Council

Subject: Eastern White Pine near the Municipal Building

The large eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*) near the municipal building has a large canker at the base (Buttress rot). There is no remedy for this injury and the tree now is dead. The large tree is currently a safety problem due to its proximity to a public building, city sidewalk, and street. A strong wind could bring the tree down very abruptly and cause damage to the building and/or vehicles and, possibly, injuries to pedestrians.

Tim Zastrow, an arborist with the Bartlett Tree Experts company, advised that this tree be removed. Lesley Riddle, the former Assistant Director of Public Works and former City Arborist, agreed with that assessment and recommended that the tree be removed.

RECOMMENDATION: ACT unanimously recommends that the large dead eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*) near the municipal building be removed within the next few weeks due to safety concerns.



Two views of the Eastern White Pine by the Municipal Building. The needles are all brown indicating that the tree is dead.

CITY OF GREENBELT
Department of Public Works
555 Crescent Road • Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
301.474.8004

M E M O R A N D U M

Date: April 3, 2013
To: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager *MPM*
From: Kenneth Hall, Director of Public Works *KH*
Regarding: Body replacement for 2001 Ford F550
Truck

The FY 2013 Replacement Fund includes \$10,000 for the replacement of the body for unit 465. Unit 465 is a 2001 Ford F550 truck that is still in good condition; however the body is in bad shape with holes throughout the body. The body has deteriorated so much that we are limiting the use of the vehicle.

We received three different quotes to replace the 14 foot dump body and lift gate. The quotes also include painting the body and lift gate. The three quotes are:

Intercon Truck Equipment	\$15,431
Mid-Atlantic Waste Systems	\$25,200
Odyssey Shankle Bus and Truck	\$16,614

I recommend that we purchase the body and lift gate from Intercon Truck Equipment which is the lowest proposal we received. I am requesting that we suspension of rules to allow approval through just one meeting.



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To: Karl Scaggs
The City of Greenbelt

From: Jerry Southern

Re: Request for Quotation

ORDER CONFIRMATION – Please Circle Price(s)

Signature _____ Date _____
Stock/VIN # _____ PO # _____

Remove Existing Liftgate Tailshelf for Future Reinstallation

Remove Existing Tarp System for Future Reinstallation

Remove Existing Trash Body and Discard

Furnish & Install 14'6" x 96" Heavy Duty Trash Dump Body

6" Structural Steel Channel Longitudinals

Formed Cross-Members on 12" Centers to Match Existing

Ten (10) Gauge Smooth Steel Floor

Marker Lights Recessed in Body Rub-Rail

52" x 96" Solid Steel Bulkhead

52" Solid Steel Sides (Non-Removable)

52" Solid Steel Hinged Two (2) Section Rear Barn Doors with Hold-Backs

Full Cab Protector with Tie Loops

Mount to Existing Hoist

Reinstall Liftgate Tailshelf and Tarp Assembly

Furnish and Install (4) Oval Strobe Lights, (2) Front Cab Shield, (2) Liftgate Tailshelf

Furnish and Install Ladder and Step on Driverside Front

Rear Rubber Mud Flaps

Body Painted Yellow

F. O. B. Intercon Truck Equipment\$ 12,178.00

Option:

Remove Entire Liftgate and Discard

Furnish & Install Anthony Tuk-Under Liftgate

Model: AXM-2500-SF

Liftgate Capacity: 2,500 lb.

Platform Dimensions: 80"W x 44"D Wedge

Electric-Hydraulic Power Unit

Power-Up / Gravity-Down

Spring-Assist Manual-Open / Spring-Assist Manual-Close



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Toggle Switch Control
Service-Free Bushings
Step Each Side of Liftgate
Anthony Pintle Hook Bracket – Transfer Existing Pintle Hook
Liftgate Painted Anthony Black

F. O. B. Intercon Truck Equipment (ADD)\$ 3,253.00

Thank you for the opportunity to quote you on the above truck equipment products.

Prices are valid for thirty (30) days.

If applicable, please add 6% Maryland sales tax and 12% federal excise tax.

Should you have any further questions regarding this proposal, please do not hesitate to call me.



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Quote #	RSSQ18685
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Terms	
Date	11/05/12

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Sales Rep Josh Ross

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	EXT PRICE
1	<p>180"L X 96"W Steel Structure Body in place with 48" high sides, double swing rear gates, cab protector, tarper lift gate and etc. underbody scissors hoist and hydraulic system aslo in place.</p> <p>Remove tarp system from body - set aside.</p> <p>Disconnect body lights, lift gate power supply, rear hinge. hoist and etc. required for removal of body.</p> <p>Remove body and lift gate - set aside for disposal.</p> <p>Protect required areas of cab and chassis. Sand blast sub-frame hoist. Clean, prep, prime and paint black.</p> <p>Provide & Install a Knapheide PVMXS153C 15' 3"L X 96"W steel structure flatbed with 5-3/8" channel crossmembers on 12" centers, 7" structural channel longmembers, 6" formed hiten steel channel full perimeter of body with interior stake pockets both sides on 24" centers.</p> <p>50" High bulkhead with incorporated 44" long full width cab protector over cab.</p> <p>48" high permanent smooth (Inside) 10 gauge steel sides with vertical posts on 24" centers, horizontal support rail exterior full lenth both sides centered top to bottom. Sides welded to body structure. Heavy-Duty rear corner posts. Double swing tailgate hinged to both sides with center latch assembly, new safety prop and body-up warning light installed.</p> <p>Provide and install to rear of body a 12" to 16" rear apron, exact length to be determined for best lift gate installation.</p> <p>Provide and install a Thieman M16-ET84-42 1,600lbs electric over hydraulic tuckaway lift gate with a 84" X 42" steel tread plate platform plus a 6" tapered ramp. Includespower cable to chassis battery and electric controls. Heavy-Duty dock bumper and incorporated access steps both sides at rear.</p> <p>Test operate lift gate, hoist and body.</p> <p>Reinstall Tarper with new mounting material.</p>	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	EXT PRICE
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Body to have LED marker lights.

LED elliptical strobe lights, recessed mounted at rear, LED elliptical strobe lights face mounted to front of cab protector. All strobe lights operated from a illuminated dash mounted switch.

Install new back-up alarm, mud flaps and mud guards.

OEM Lights (Stop/tail/turn) and back-up lights to remain in place.

Body and body componants painted one (1) color safety yellow or to customers paint code using Sherwin Williams Genesis Paint System.

Lift Gate painted black.

1	Two-way Freight to and from customer	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
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Price includes freight.

Visit www.mawaste.com to view photo's.

Price includes installation.

All built per manufacturer's standard specifications.

Terms: Net 30 Days

Approximate Delivery: 30-60 Days After Receipt of Signed Sales Order and Deposit (if applicable).

Subtotal	\$25,200.00
Federal Excise Tax	
Sales Tax	
TOTAL*	\$25,200.00

**total does not include optional items*

Quote

TRO72125

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Hyattsville, MD 20781
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Customer: CITYGBEL
Warehouse: HQ
Open Date: 02/01/2013

Bill To: City Of Greenbelt
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Ship To: City Of Greenbelt
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Phone: 240.508-0099

Fax:

Customer P/O:

Unit Number: 465**Year:** 2000**Meter Reading:****Manufacturer:** FORD**Meter Type:****Model:** F-550**VIN:** 1FDAF56F11EA68884

Comments: JERRELL T. DEBERRY SR. - SERVICE ADVISOR

THIS ESTIMATE IS TO REMOVE EXISTING DUMP BODY AND LIFTGATE ASSEMBLY

REPLACE DUMP BODY (FABRICATED NEW) ON MORGAN 14' FLAT BED W/ HEADER.

CAB SHIELD, TARP, ORIGINAL DUMP HYDRALICS GATE WILL BE REUSED.

NOTE: ESTIMATE DOES NOT INCLUDE REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF COMPONENTS TO BE REUSED.

NOTE: ESTIMATE 2 WEEKS TO COMPLETE JOB AFTER START.

ESTIMATE INCLUDES PAINT, BODY AND LIFTGATE ASSEMBLY BLACK

Job: 1 14000 Shop Service - Standard (Truck) Department: Service

Complaint: REMOVE EXISTING DUMP BODY, SUBFRAME AND LIFTGATE ASSEMBLY
Cause: SEVERLY RUSTED

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
Labor Summary				6.00	\$105.00	\$630.00

Job: 2 14000 Shop Service - Standard (Truck) Department: Service

Complaint: INSTALL 14' NEW DUMP BODY, FABRICATE 50" METAL 11GA SIDES WITH BARNYARD
STYLE DOORS AND RE-INSTALL EXISTING TARP ASSEMBLY.

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
8815-BP	Latch		EA	2.00	\$20.19	\$40.38
B2426E-BP	Hinge, Butt		EA	4.00	\$10.24	\$40.96
B2426FSLL	HINGE		EA	4.00	\$7.19	\$28.76
HR1196-DS	Hot Rolled Steel 11ga (48x96)		EA	9.00	\$232.49	\$2,092.41
A20062	REAR HINGE		EA	1.00	\$277.50	\$277.50
METAL BEND	METAL BEND		EA	3.00	\$111.30	\$333.90
HPA00014096-MO	Body, 14 Ft Stake		EA	1.00	\$2,071.00	\$2,071.00
00001	Shop Supplies		EA	1.00	\$300.00	\$300.00

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Open Date: 02/01/2013

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
501M	GUSSETT (49" X3X1)/.		EA	20.00	\$26.16	\$523.20
	Labor Summary			40.00	\$105.00	\$4,200.00

Job: 3 14000 Shop Service - Standard (Truck) Department: Service

Complaint: PREP AND PAINT COMPLETE DUMP BODY AND LIFTGATE ASSEMBLY

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
501M	PAINT SUPPLIES/.		EA	1.00	\$258.00	\$258.00
	Labor Summary			6.00	\$105.00	\$630.00

Job: 4 14000 REPLACE LIFTGATE Department: Service

Complaint: REPLACE LIFTGATE

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
SHIPPING	SHIPPING (LIFTGATE IN STOCK)		EA	1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
501M	SHOP SUPPLIES/.		EA	1.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
501M	MAXON TE25 TUCKAWAY 72X36 PLATFOR		EA	1.00	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
	Labor Summary			8.00	\$105.00	\$840.00

Job: 5 14000 FABRICATE SIDE STEPS Department: Service

Complaint: FABRICATE 2 REAR BODY SIDE STEPS AND 1 LEFT HAND FRONT SIDE STEP

Part/Labor	Description/Reference	Core Type	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price	Extended Price
501M	METAL MATERIAL/.		EA	1.00	\$120.00	\$120.00
	Labor Summary			6.00	\$105.00	\$630.00

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Customer: CITYGBELT
Warehouse: HQ
Open Date: 02/01/2013

Quote Totals:	Total Parts:	\$9,211.11
	Total Core Charges:	\$0.00
	Total Core Returns:	\$0.00
	Total Labor:	\$6,930.00
	Total Miscellaneous:	\$300.00
	Total Shop Supplies:	\$173.25
	Total Environmental Charge:	\$0.00
	Total Sales Tax:	\$0.00
	Quote 3354 Total:	\$16,614.36

Sale Type: On Account
All Special Order Parts Must Be Pre-Paid In Advance

A 50% Deposit Is Required For Any Services Over \$2500.00

STORAGE CHARGES: Storage charges begin 48 hours after repairs are completed at \$50.00/day.

TERMS: All charges due and payable on a cash basis only, unless prior credit terms are pre-approved.

Guarantee: All labor performed and parts replaced were necessary to complete repairs and are guarantee for thirty (30) days.

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You and your employees may operate above for purposes of testing and for inspection. An express Mechanic's Lien is acknowledged to secure the amount of repairs thereto. It is understood that this company assumes no responsibility for loss or damage by theft, fire, or Acts of God, to vehicle (for articles within vehicle) placed with them for storage, sale, repairs or road testing.

I hereby authorize and agree to pay for all repairs described above.

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RESOLUTION NUMBER XXXX

A RESOLUTION TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF A DUMP BODY FROM INTERCON
TRUCK EQUIPMENT AT A COST OF \$15,431

WHEREAS, the City owns a 2001 Ford F550 truck whose engine & chassis are in good condition, but the truck's body is badly rusted, has holes in it and can no longer be used for most tasks; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2013 Replacement Fund includes funds to replace this truck body; and

WHEREAS, staff obtained price quotes from several vendors and the proposal from Intercon Truck Equipment was the lowest quote. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate the purchase of a dump body from Intercon Truck Equipment of Joppa, Maryland at a cost of \$15,431.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of _____, 2013.

Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk

CITY OF GREENBELT
Department of Public Works
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M E M O R A N D U M

Date: May 4, 2013
To: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager *MPM*
From: Kenneth Hall, Director of Public Works *KA*
Regarding: Fourth of July Fireworks

After last year's fireworks, a concern was raised about whether there are negative environmental impacts from fireworks. Research was conducted and is attached to this report, as well as alternative shows were identified and researched.

Fireworks are considered by many to be an American tradition on Independence Day. Independence Day is a national holiday marked by patriotic displays. Families often celebrate Independence Day by hosting or attending a picnic or barbecue during the day and watching fireworks in the evening.

For more than two hundred years, fireworks have provided visual delight with sound effects for onlookers. The glare, special effects and colors during a fireworks show can fill onlookers with patriotism and awe creating a sense of "ooing" and "ahhing" throughout the show.

The new alternative to fireworks is a laser light show. A laser light show has no chemicals and only requires electricity to produce a show. It's kind of missing the oomph of those old-fashioned firecrackers, but in some cases translates well to a screen or backdrop.

Lasers can provide the same kind of thrills but in most cases requires some kind of curtain as a back drop and sound introduced into the show. Without the back drop, the show becomes one of endless laser lights that are projected into the sky. So, the laser show will have to be coordinated well with sound effects to make it appear close to the real thing.

Image Engineering, a local company that provides laser shows and firework shows throughout the country was interviewed. Based on their interview and their site visit, they recommended

either a combination laser and fireworks show or the traditional fireworks show. Image Engineering did not feel comfortable with the site for an all laser show. Image Engineering felt given the budget restraints and site limitations that a laser only show would leave most people disappointed.

Fireworks Effects on Humans and the Environment

Fireworks shows are woven into the fabric of the United States and they don't happen every day. It's still not entirely clear how fireworks affect environmental or human health. Firework advocates argue that substances in fireworks are insignificant, or are combusted before they can contaminate the ground. Anti-Firework advocates argue known substances are unnaturally entering the environment and scientists don't know exactly what ecological effects they have. The potential dangers alone have been enough to spur Disneyland and some communities to explore other options and researchers are pursuing alternatives to perchlorates due to the possibility of health effects.

The chemicals and substances that make up fireworks, as well as the smoke and gases that are released during the explosion are what are being analyzed. Attachment B provides a breakdown of the perchlorates and particulates that make up fireworks. Particulates fade away after a few hours, and perchlorates dissipate in days or weeks after being released. Chemicals that give fireworks their colors have also drawn some concern from environmentalists; these chemicals are also listed in Attachment B. The environmental impact of these hasn't been studied well enough to know for certain their ecological effects.

Cost Analysis for Firework Shows and Laser and Firework Combination Show

The cost analysis for the various fireworks shows is provided in Attachment A. Attachment A provides prices and the number of shells being supplied as well the sizes. We received three prices from firework companies for fireworks only shows and one price for a combination fireworks laser show. Two of the three fireworks companies provide prices for a \$10,000 show and a \$12,000 show.

Recommendation

Staff has evaluated the environmental concerns with fireworks, looking at alternative shows to fireworks and is recommending continuing providing fireworks for this Fourth of July. The laser show alternative at Greenbelt Lake is not a viable option given the budget restraints and site conditions.

Based on all the information provided I am recommending we select the \$12,000 proposal from Ace Pyro LLC. Historically Greenbelt has shot off \$10,000 in fireworks, last year was the

exception. The \$10,000 was used to purchase fireworks and the Public Works Employees did the shooting of the fireworks. Last year, was the first electronic fireworks show for Greenbelt and was well received by the community. Ace Pyro LLC is proposing an electronic show this year. The \$12,000 show will provide the same number of fireworks that has been traditionally shot (approximately \$2000 of the \$12,000 is for labor and permits). Since Public Works will not be shooting the fireworks the labor involved from Public Works will be much less than in years past.

Attachments enclosed:

Attachment A Cost Comparison of Firework Shows

Attachment B Are July 4th fireworks bad for the environment

Attachment A

Cost Comparision of Firework Shows

Type/Size	Fireworks Extravaganza 10K	Ace Pyro LLC		Schaefer	
		10K	12K	10K	12K
Opening (cakes)					
Comets	200	665	665	300	300
Salutes	100				
1-3"	100	54	54	Not specified in bid	Not specified in bid
4"	6	12	30		
5"	5	6	8		
6"	4	3	5		
8"			2		
Opening shell					
Count	115	75	99	41	56
Main Body					
Repeaters (Cakes)		288	388		
2.5"		90	90		
3"	100	120	120	220	250
4"	72	60	88	115	125
5"	50	22	36	70	80
6"	54	22	23	34	39
8"	4	6	8	6	8
Main Body Shell Count	280	320	365	445	502

Finale – Salutes & Repeaters (Cakes)	1000	100	198	3300	3300
2.5"	250	320	320	200	270
3"	120	144	144	100	125
4"	12	60	80	12	12
5"	5	8	10	5	5
6"	4	6	8	4	4
8"	1	2	2	-	-
Finale Shell Count	392	540	564	321	416
Total Shell Count	2"-8"	2.5" – 8"	2.5"-8"	1"-8"	1"-8"
	787	935	1028	807	974
Total Shot Count	2087	1980	2279	4407	4574
Total Cakes Count	1300	1053	1251	3600	3600
Small Shots	62%	53%	55%	82%	79%

Note: All three prices include the ground displays at the beginning and end. The Cakes are small fireworks packaged in a box typical ½" to 1 ¼".

Laser and Fireworks Proposal

We received one proposal for a Laser and Firework Proposal from Image Engineering. The pricing as is follows:

Item	Price
1-40 watt RGB Laser	\$3,500
15 minute Fireworks + Laser Display (2"-6" shells)	\$8,700
3 Technicians	\$1,600
MD and PG Permits	(approx.) \$500
Total	\$14,350



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Are July 4th fireworks bad for the environment?

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July Fourth weekend
hardly seems complete
without the glorious sizzle
and boom of fireworks.
But are these
pyrotechnics bad for the
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By Robert Deutsch, USA TODAY

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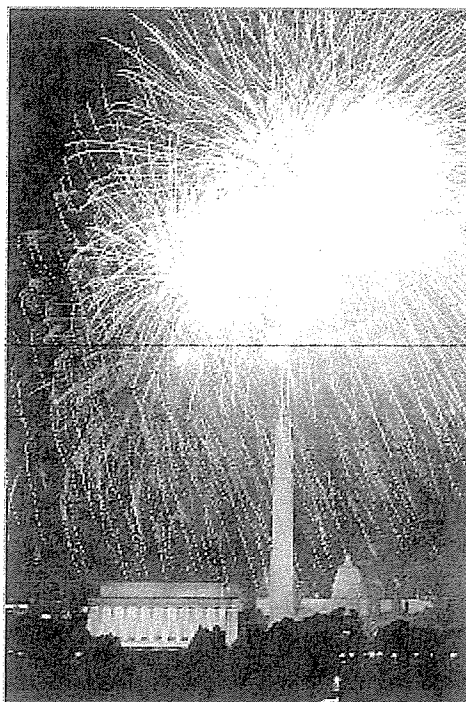
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"Fireworks can unleash a shower of toxins into soil and water, and scientists are only beginning to figure out what that means for human health," writes Russell McLendon on Mother Nature Network, an environmental website. He cites studies showing perchlorate levels in nearby wells and waterways rose dramatically after a fireworks show. He adds:

From the gunpowder that fuels their flight to the metallic compounds that color their explosions, fireworks often contain carcinogenic or hormone-disrupting substances that can seep into soil and water, not to mention the lung-clogging smoke they release and plastic debris they scatter.

Fireworks displays have been eliminated in an increasing number of U.S. cities, largely because of budget cutbacks as well as fire and injury concerns. An effort to ban them in Hawaii cites their impact on human health and has the backing of the state's American Lung Association, according to the *Honolulu Advertiser*.



CAPTION

By Jose Luis Magana,
Associated Press

McLendon says the eco-friendliest alternative to fireworks is to avoid them completely and instead go fishing or camping. He says other alternatives include laser light shows, which emit no dangerous chemicals, and Disneyland's use of compressed air to launch fireworks, which reduce particulates in the air and perchlorates in the water.

Why's he so concerned? Here are excerpts of his article:

In addition to gunpowder, fireworks are packed with heavy metals and other toxins that produce their sparkling shower of colors. Like perchlorates, the exact effect of fireworks' heavy-metal fallout is still mainly a mystery, but scientists do

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know that the metals themselves can wreak havoc in the human body.

• **Strontium** (red): This soft, silvery-yellow metal turns red when it burns, is extremely reactive with both air and water, and can be radioactive. Some strontium compounds dissolve in water, and others move deep into soil and groundwater; radioactive strontium has a half-life of 29 years. While low levels of stable and radioactive strontium haven't been shown to affect human health, they both can be dangerous at high doses.

• **Aluminum** (white): Since aluminum is the most abundant metal in Earth's crust — and one of humanity's most widely used — avoiding exposure is almost impossible. Virtually all food, water, air and soil contain some amount of aluminum — the average adult eats about 7 to 9 milligrams of the silvery-white metal every day in food. It's generally safe at these levels, but it can affect the brain and lungs at higher concentrations.

• **Copper** (blue): Fireworks' blue hues are produced by copper compounds. These aren't very toxic on their own, but the copper jump-starts the formation of dioxins when perchlorates in the fireworks burn.... The most noted health effect of dioxin exposure is chloracne, a severe skin disease with acne-like lesions mostly on the face and upper body. Dioxin doesn't stop there, though — the World Health Organization has identified it as a human carcinogen, and it's also been shown to disrupt hormone production and glucose metabolism.

• **Barium** (green): Fish and other aquatic organisms can accumulate barium, which means it can move up the food chain. The silvery-white metal naturally bonds with other elements to form a variety of compounds that all have different effects — none are known to be carcinogenic, but they can cause gastrointestinal problems and muscular weakness when exposure exceeds EPA drinking water standards.

• **Rubidium** (purple): This soft, silvery metal is one of the most abundant elements on Earth. It burns purple, melts to a liquid at 104 degrees Fahrenheit and is highly reactive with water, capable of igniting fires even far below the freezing point. It hasn't been reported to cause any major environmental damage, but it can cause skin irritation since it's so reactive with moisture, and it's moderately toxic when ingested, reportedly able to replace calcium in bones (PDF).

• **Cadmium** (various): Used to produce a wide range of fireworks colors, this mineral is also a known human carcinogen. Breathing high levels of cadmium can seriously damage the lungs, and consuming it can fluster the stomach, often resulting in vomiting and diarrhea.

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Fireworks

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Fireworks are a class of explosive pyrotechnic devices used for aesthetic and culture, and religious purposes. The most common use of a firework is as part of a fireworks display. A fireworks event (also called a **fireworks show** or **pyrotechnics**) is a display of the effects produced by firework devices. Fireworks competitions are also regularly held at a number of places. Fireworks take many forms to produce the four primary effects: noise, light, smoke and floating materials (confetti for example). They may be designed to burn with flames and sparks of many colors, typically red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, and silver. Displays are common throughout the world and are the focal point of many cultural and religious^[1] celebrations.

The earliest documentation of fireworks dates back to 7th century China, where they were invented. The fireworks were used to accompany many festivities. It is a part of the culture of China and had its origin there; eventually it spread to other cultures and societies.^[2] Important events and festivities such as the Spring Festival (Chinese New Year) and the Mid-Autumn Festival were and still are times when fireworks are guaranteed sights. China is the largest manufacturer and exporter of fireworks in the world.^[3]

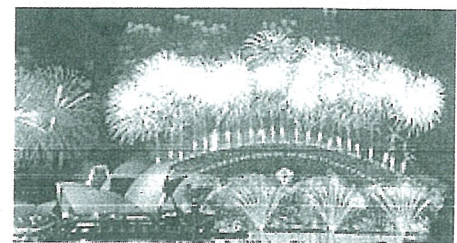
Fireworks are generally classified as to where they perform, either as a ground or aerial firework. In the latter case they may provide their own propulsion (skyrocket) or be shot into the air by a mortar (aerial shell). The most common feature of fireworks is a paper or pasteboard tube or casing filled with the combustible material, often pyrotechnic stars. A number of these tubes or cases are often combined so as to make, when kindled, a great variety of sparkling shapes, often variously colored. The skyrocket is a common form of firework, although the first skyrockets were used in war. Such rocket technology has also been used for the delivery of mail by rocket and is used as propulsion for most model rockets. The aerial shell is the backbone of today's commercial aerial display. A smaller version for consumer use is known as the festival ball in the United States. Ground fireworks, although less popular than aerial ones, create a stunning exhibition. These types of fireworks can produce various shapes, such as simple rotating circles, stars and 3D globes.^[4]



Fireworks in Basel, Switzerland.



Fireworks over Ottawa during Canada Day celebrations.



Fireworks over Sydney Harbour on New Year's Eve 2006-07.

Pollution

Fireworks produce smoke and dust that may contain residues of heavy metals, sulfur-coal compounds and some low concentration toxic chemicals. These by-products of fireworks combustion will vary depending on the mix of ingredients of a particular firework. (The color green, for instance, may be produced by adding the various compounds and salts of Barium, some of which are toxic, and some of which are not.) Some fishermen have noticed and reported to environmental authorities that firework residues can hurt fish and other water-life because some may contain toxic compounds such as antimony sulfide. This is a subject of much debate because large-scale pollution from other sources makes it difficult to measure the amount of pollution that comes specifically from fireworks. The possible toxicity of any fallout may also be affected by the amount of black powder used, type of oxidizer, colors produced and launch method.

Fireworks have also been noted as a source of perchlorate in lakes.^[45] The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's Richard Wilkin and colleagues have conducted research on the use of pyrotechnic devices over bodies of water, noting concerns over the effects of environmental perchlorate on human health and wildlife. Sources of perchlorate range from lightning and certain fertilizers to the perchlorate compounds in rocket fuel and explosives. Scientists long suspected community fireworks displays were another source, but few studies had been done on the topic. Wilkin's group has now established fireworks displays as a source of perchlorate contamination by analyzing water in an Oklahoma lake before and after fireworks displays in 2004, 2005 and 2006. Within 14 hours after the fireworks, perchlorate levels rose 24 to 1,028 times above background levels. Levels peaked about 24 hours after the display, and then decreased to the pre-fireworks background within 20 to 80 days. The study is detailed in the June 1, 2007 issue of the journal *Environmental Science & Technology*. (*Environ. Sci. Technol.*, 2007, 41 (11), pp 3966–3971)^[46]

Perchlorate, a type of salt in its solid form, dissolves and moves rapidly in groundwater and surface water. Even in low concentrations in drinking water supplies, perchlorate is known to inhibit the uptake of iodine by the thyroid gland. While there are currently no federal drinking water standards for perchlorate, some states have established public health goals, or action levels, and some are in the process of establishing state maximum contaminant levels. For example, the US Environmental Protection Agency conducted studies on the impacts of perchlorate on the environment as well as drinking water.^[47] California has also issued guidance regarding perchlorate use.^[48]

Several states have enacted drinking water standard for perchlorate including Massachusetts in 2006. California's legislature enacted AB 826, the Perchlorate Contamination Prevention Act of 2003, requiring California's Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) to adopt regulations specifying best management practices for perchlorate and perchlorate-containing substances. The Perchlorate Best Management Practices were adopted on December 31, 2005 and became operative on July 1, 2006.^[49] California issued drinking water standards in 2007. Several other states, including Arizona, Maryland, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, and Texas have established non-enforceable, advisory levels for perchlorate.

The courts have also taken action with regard to perchlorate contamination. For example, in 2003, a federal district court in California found that Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) applied because perchlorate is ignitable and therefore a “characteristic” hazardous waste. (see *Castaic Lake Water Agency v. Whittaker*, 272 F. Supp. 2d 1053, 1059–61 (C.D. Cal. 2003)).

Pollutants from fireworks raise concerns because of potential health risks associated with hazardous by-products. For most people the effects of exposure to low levels of toxins from many sources over long periods are unknown. For persons with asthma or multiple chemical sensitivity the smoke from fireworks may aggravate existing health problems.^[50] Environmental pollution is also a concern because heavy metals and other chemicals from fireworks may contaminate water supplies and because fireworks combustion gases might contribute to such things as acid rain which can cause vegetation and even property damage. However, gunpowder smoke and the solid residues are basic, and as such the net effect of fireworks on acid rain is debatable. The carbon used in fireworks is produced from wood and does not lead to more carbon dioxide in the air. What is not disputed is that most consumer fireworks leave behind a considerable amount of solid debris, including both readily biodegradable components as well as nondegradable plastic items. Concerns over pollution, consumer safety, and debris have restricted the sale and use of consumer fireworks in many countries. Professional displays, on the other hand, remain popular around the world.

Others argue that alleged concern over pollution from fireworks constitutes a red herring, since the amount of contamination from fireworks is minuscule in comparison to emissions from sources such as the burning of fossil fuels. In the US some states and local governments restrict the use of fireworks in accordance with the Clean Air Act which allows laws relating to the prevention and control of outdoor air pollution to be enacted. Few governmental entities, by contrast, effectively limit pollution from burning fossil fuels such as diesel fuel or coal. Coal fueled electricity generation alone is a much greater source of heavy metal contamination in the environment than fireworks.

Some companies within the U.S. fireworks industry claim they are working with Chinese manufacturers to reduce and ultimately hope to eliminate of the pollutant perchlorate.^[51]

Laws governing consumer fireworks

Australia

In Australia, Type 1 fireworks (sparklers, party poppers or similar below prescribed sizes)^[52] are permitted to be sold to the public. For anything that has a large explosion or gets airborne, users need to register for a Type 2 Licence. On August 24, 2009 the ACT Government announced a complete ban on backyard fireworks.^[53] The Northern Territory allows fireworks to be sold to residents 18 years or older on Northern Territory Day (July 1) between the hours of 9am and 9pm for personal purposes. The types of fireworks allowed for sale is restricted to quieter fireworks, which can only be used at the address provided to the seller.^[citation needed]



Fireworks over Sydney Harbour during the APEC Australia 2007 summit.

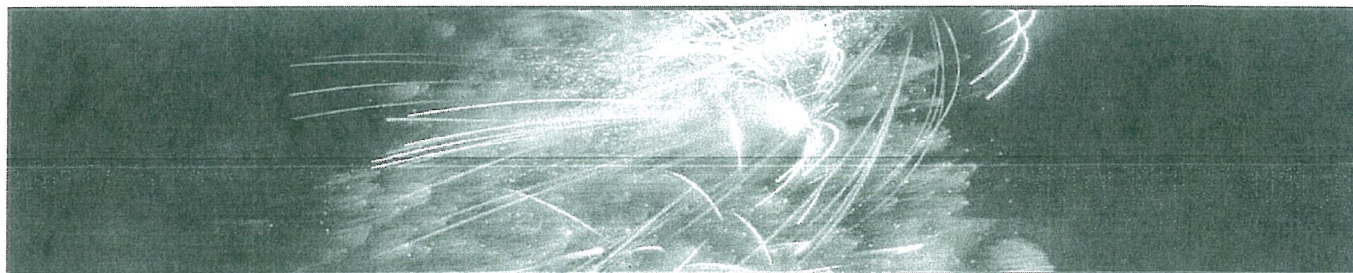
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The UK's Association for Professional Firework Display Companies

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BPA Guide #3 – Environmental effects of display fireworks



The BPA is concerned that companies are increasingly being asked to address the environmental effects of fireworks, and have prepared this brief guide to assist members.

Fireworks are explosives and function by self-sustaining exothermic chemical reactions involving primarily an oxidant and a fuel. To this basic mix are added components to create colours or effects, or to assist in the manufacturing processes. Many fireworks have a significant proportion of blackpowder (gunpowder) acting as a propellant.

The chemistry of combustion of fireworks in general is not very well documented, but the combustion chemistry of blackpowder is well known. Therefore the following conclusions can be drawn from studies carried out by consultants from sites, such as Theme parks where displays are fired all year round.

Gaseous products from fireworks combustion include Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide, Sulphur Dioxide, Nitrogen oxides, water vapour and nitrogen. In a typical firework display where we have approximately 250Kg of blackpowder is fired over 10 minutes, the rates of production of these gasses is approximately.

- Carbon Dioxide – 68 g/s
- Carbon Monoxide – 29 g/s
- Sulphur Dioxide – 2 g/s
- Nitrogen oxides – 7 g/s
- Nitrogen – 22 g/s

Given that these are formed in a large volume of air and are subject to immediate dilution by wind the potential human health or environmental effects are very low.

By way of comparison these figures (for a 10 minute display) equate roughly to

- 5000 person- kilometres of travel by bus
- 5000 person- kilometres of travel by plane
- 8000 person- kilometres of travel by car
- 26000 person- kilometres of travel by high speed train

So, for instance, if 10,000 people come to specifically see the display and travelled by car or bus at some point in their journey, travelling an average of 50km round trip each, the atmospheric pollution caused by the display is approximately 1.5% of the pollution caused by people travelling to the display.

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An Initial Study into the Effects of Fireworks on the Water Quality of Lake George



The Lake George Association

New York

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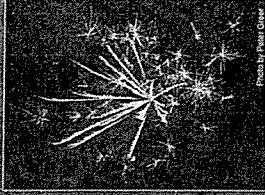


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Funding for this study provided by the Helen V. Froehlich Foundation

Fireworks & Lake George

- Fireworks in LGV on Thursdays in July and August
- Private facilities such as The Sagamore also have displays
- Other municipalities such as Bolton and Hague
- No permit required - so exact number and location of all displays not known

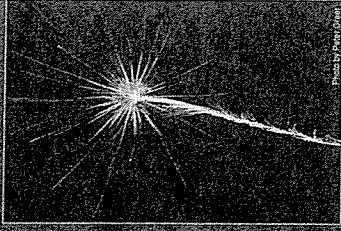


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Timeline

- In past years, discussion at both the LGV Planning Board and LGPC meetings has arisen over concern about fireworks.
- In 2008, due to a number of shows right in a row, interest arose again, a bit louder this time.
- 2008: Bill Dow of LG Steamboat Company used barge for 11 Village shows and other contracted shoots - for a total of 21 shows that year.

Timeline

- LGA hosted meeting in October of 2008 with local officials.
- LGA followed up by meeting with Jeff Alonzo, owner of Alonzo Fireworks, the company hired for most shows on the lake

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- There were still a lot of questions, so we decided to follow up with a study in the summer of 2009

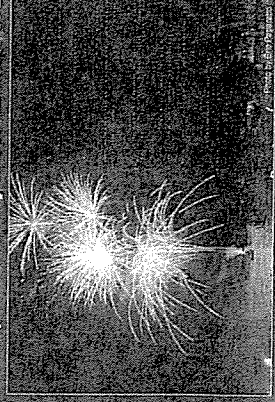
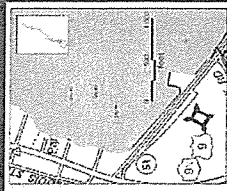


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Study Design and Methods

- 2 samples collected at each site, 1 for Perchlorate analysis and one for Antimony and Barium
- We collected samples before and after 5 fireworks events, so a total of 9 samples were analyzed for each contaminant for each event.



Study Design and Methods

- We also collected sediment at the three sites in LG Village where the water samples were taken, and at a different site with similar bottom conditions, but where for as best as we could tell no fireworks had even been deployed.



Sediment samples taken near Steving Rock

- This was done just once.

Results- Barium and Antimony

- Antimony also had no measurable change at a reporting limit of 0.005 mg/L and while barium had a slight change, there were no measurable trends.

Date	Antimony (M) (mg/L)		Barium (M) (mg/L)	
	Site 1	Site 2	Site 1	Site 2
4/1/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/2/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/3/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/4/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/5/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/6/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/7/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/8/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/9/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/10/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/11/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/12/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/13/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/14/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/15/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/16/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/17/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/18/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/19/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/20/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4/21/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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4/26/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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4/28/2009	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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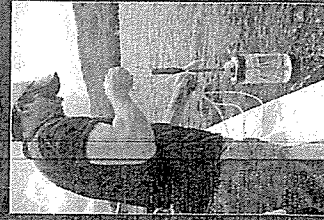
Results - Perchlorate

- No measurable change in perchlorate levels was detected at an MDL of 0.0012 mg/L
- Reported in reference to level of 000.2 mg/L since that is the MASS DEP's drinking water standard for perchlorate - the only state that has established a standard

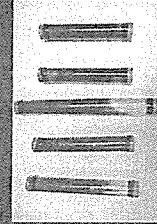
Date	Perchlorate (MDL) (mg/L)	
	Site 1	Site 2
4/1/2009	0.00	0.00
4/2/2009	0.00	0.00
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4/4/2009	0.00	0.00
4/5/2009	0.00	0.00
4/6/2009	0.00	0.00
4/7/2009	0.00	0.00
4/8/2009	0.00	0.00
4/9/2009	0.00	0.00
4/10/2009	0.00	0.00
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4/28/2009	0.00	0.00
4/29/2009	0.00	0.00
4/30/2009	0.00	0.00

Discussion

- We found no changes in the contaminants that we tested for before or after fireworks events
- We also found very low levels of these contaminants
- However, these results are only preliminary



Results - sediment



Sediment Sample	Perchlorate (MDL) (mg/L)	
	Site 1	Site 2
Lake George Village-Site 1	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 2	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 3	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 4	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 5	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 6	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 7	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 8	0.00	0.00
Lake George Village-Site 9	0.00	0.00
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Lake George Village-Site 11	0.00	0.00
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Lake George Village-Site 100	0.00	0.00

Further Study is still Needed

- Other studies elsewhere have found changes in perchlorate levels associated with fireworks (they could measure smaller amounts than the lab we used could).
- We also only tested for a few of the possible contaminants
- Our findings are available for others who may wish to pursue this subject further

Looking Ahead

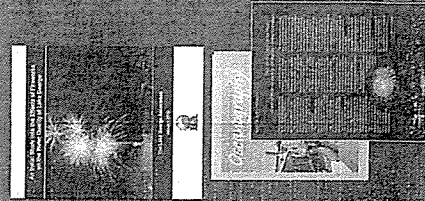
- Perchlorate-free fireworks are available – however they cost more.
- While our study findings do not suggest the need at this time – we acknowledge that it is by no means comprehensive – so we can not know for certain if there is a need to be concerned over perchlorate or not – all we can do is weigh our options based on the knowledge we have available to us
- It might still be a prudent idea to investigate the cost of perchlorate-free fireworks – and set a good example for other lakes to follow...

In the mean time...

- It seems to be a good idea to keep track of the fireworks displays over Lake George
- A simple registration form could be required for anyone to have a show over the lake
- This way we could keep track of the number of shows, where they take place, and what fireworks are used

More Info

- Our full report with data is available on the LGA table along with the article from the journal Oceanography based on our study
- We also have a number of references to scientific literature related to Perchlorate – and popular news articles about conflicts over fireworks in the back of the report.



Greenbelt Maryland 4th of July Fireworks and Laser Spectacular

Seen Above: Harrisonburg, VA 4th of July Fireworks and Laser Display

DISPLAY PRICING

1 - 40watt RGB Laser.	\$3,500
15 minute Fireworks + Laser Display (2"-6" shells). ...	\$8,700
3 Technicians.	\$1,650
MD & PG County Permits.	(approx) \$500.00
TOTAL.	\$14,350

OPENING BARRAGE

Variegated aerial shells and cake or special effect items consisting of various colors and special effects with titanium salutes as follows:

2.5"- 10

4.0" – 2

5.0" - 1

MAIN BODY

The main portion or body of the show will consist of 340 aerial shells ranging in size from 2.5" to 6.0" in diameter. Some of the shells will be fired as single fired shells; the others will be fired in chains or flights of 2 or 3 shells, consisting of 2.5", 3.0" and 4.0" diameter shells.

3.0"- 72 single shells

4.0" – 72 single shells

5.0" – 25 single shells

6.0" – 15 single shells

2.5" – 60 shells in flights of three (3) each

3.0" – 60 shells in flights of three (3) each

4.0" – 36 shells in flights of two (2) each

Large Display Cakes - 6

FINALE

The Finale will consist of 190 aerial shells ranging in size from 2.5" to 6.0" in diameter. The shell types will be assorted color; sound effects such as whistles and crackling shells; mines, comets and titanium salutes.

2.5"- 120

3.0"- 60

4.0" – 12

5.0" – 3

6.0" - 1

Introduced:
1st Reading:
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RESOLUTION NUMBER XXXX

A RESOLUTION TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF JULY 4TH FIREWORKS FROM
ACE PYRO LLC OF CLEARFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA AT A COST OF \$12,000

WHEREAS, Public Works staff conducted extensive research for a high quality fireworks show for the City's annual July 4th Celebration; and

WHEREAS, ACE Pyro LLC of Clearfield, Pennsylvania has been identified by Public Works as the vendor providing the best quality fireworks show at a cost of \$12,000 which includes labor provided by the vendor for shooting of the fireworks. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate the purchase of a 2013 Fireworks Show from ACE PYRO LLC of Clearfield, Pennsylvania, at a cost of \$12,000, as offered in their quotation of March 13, 2013.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of May 13, 2013.

Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk

Greenbelt Farmers Market

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February 16, 2013

Greenbelt City Council
c/o Michael McLaughlin
City Manager, City of Greenbelt
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770



Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

The Greenbelt Farmers Market is pleased to report another very successful market season, including our new addition of local wineries. We appreciate the City Council's gracious permission for local wineries to participate in the market, in consideration of the preceeding state legislation that permits such sales. At the time the City Council granted permission for local wineries to participate in the market, it was with the understanding that samples of the wine would not be allowed as an interim step, and that the market would be permitted an opportunity to show the successful participation of wine vendors. We have appreciated that opportunity and believe that the time is right to now request that the City Council consider permitting local wineries to offer a very small taste of their products to market customers.

It is important to note that the attendance of wineries at farmers markets is strictly regulated by both Prince George's County and the state of Maryland. Local wineries are only allowed a handful of permits to sell at markets, which means that one particular winery would never be able to commit to an entire farmers market season. The sale of wine is done on an occasional, rather than a weekly, basis. Furthermore, when local wineries do offer samples of their products at markets, the small amount of wine they are able to disburse is regulated by ounce and always provided by personnel trained and licensed under state regulation. Our Market Master, who oversees the market vendors each week, has also taken the state mandated course on responsible serving of alcohol, so that she might properly oversee the local wine vendors. Two members of our Board of Directors are in the process of completing the course as well, so you can see that we take our responsibilities in complying with all regulations on this matter very seriously.

In the year and three months that we have invited local wineries to participate in the market, we have had absolutely no negative interactions relating to the wine sales. The local winery that has attended on regular occasions, Elk Run, is based in Maryland and is fully licensed to distribute their product at local markets. Neither our Board members, nor our Market Master, has noticed the consumption of wine sold at the market either on or near the market premises during market hours. Despite the lovely picnic conditions that exist on market days, it seems that customers have reliably purchased their wine and taken it home with them. Should sampling of the wine be permitted, we anticipate that this would not alter customer's habits because sampling will only be permitted prior to purchase, and the wine vendor's table, and in very, very limited quantity as prescribed by regulation.

We feel that the Market has proven worthy of the trust instilled in it by the City Council when permission was originally granted for local wineries to attend the market. Our record of successful participation by these local vendors, and our adherence to all necessary licensing and training has demonstrated that the issue can be handled easily without controversy. However, despite our success at attracting some local wineries to attend the market, we feel that it is important to allow



sampling at this time so that we do not lose the interest of either customers or the wineries. When we originally began allowing wineries to attend the market, we were proactively contacted by several prominent wineries, such as Boordy vineyards, about attending the market, but none would attend because the customers were not allowed to sample the products, as they felt it would negatively impact their sales. Elk Run, the participating local winery, that have attended has stated that sales have been good, but are declining slowly.

We know affirmatively that sampling affects sales as we have had a recent similar experience with our cheese vendors. One of our original cheese vendors, Firefly Farms, heartily encouraged sampling of his gorgeous cheese display each week. His business became so successful that he is now selling to the Silver Diner instead of at our small market. The new cheese vendor that we brought in did not provide any samples, or display, each week. That vendor has stated that they do not intend to return to Greenbelt next year as their sales were inadequate. Clearly the problem was not that Greenbelters do not love cheese, since the market was able to support two cheese vendors in its first two seasons!

As the market's Board of Directors, we taken a keen interest in the economic health of all of our vendors, as well as a very serious effort to maintain a healthy diversity of vendors with which to attract customers. These are the key pillars of any successful business, and we feel that permitting the sampling of products from local wineries, much as our fruit vendors offer slices of apples, will greatly enhance the success of our newest successful vendors. We are eager to move forward and to improve the experience for both the vendors and customers who have told us they value this product.

What are the next best steps for bringing this matter before the City Council?

With appreciation,

Lynne Chandler
on behalf of the Board of Directors
Greenbelt Farmers Market

Introduced:
1st Reading:
Passed:
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Effective:

ORDINANCE NUMBER XXXX

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 12, "PARKS AND RECREATION," ARTICLE III, "PUBLIC PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, ETC., GENERALLY," OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the Greenbelt Farmers Market is held every year between May 1 and December 24; and

WHEREAS, local wineries have been selling bottles of wine at the Greenbelt Farmers Market since 2012; and

WHEREAS, the success of local wineries at the Greenbelt Farmers Market is dependent on their ability to offer samples of their products; and

WHEREAS, Council held a public hearing was held on May 13, 2013, regarding the sampling of wine at the Greenbelt Farmers Market. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that Chapter 2 of the City Code is amended to read as follows:

Chapter 12

PARKS AND RECREATION

ARTICLE III. PUBLIC PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, ETC., GENERALLY

Section 2-48. Alcoholic Beverages.

Except for the sale and sampling of wine at the Greenbelt Farmers Market between May 1 and December 24 of each year, tThe use of any alcoholic beverage in the parks, playgrounds or public parking areas shall be prohibited. The possession of any opened or partially consumed container of any alcoholic beverage, either on the person or in a parked vehicle, shall be considered as a violation of this section.

Passed by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of May 28, 2013.

Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk

Key:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

~~Overstriking~~ indicates language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.

Chapter 420

(House Bill 559)

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – Winery Special Event Permits – Farmers' Markets

PG 304-10

FOR the purpose of authorizing the issuance of a certain number of additional winery special event permits to certain wineries for use in certain farmers' markets in Prince George's County; prohibiting a holder of a permit from selling wine by the glass; requiring that a certain individual who is certified by an alcohol awareness program be present during the hours when wine may be sold; and generally relating to farmers' markets in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2-101(u)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2-101(u)(7)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

2-101.

(u) (1) The Office of the Comptroller may issue a winery special event permit to a licensed Class 4 Maryland limited winery, provided that:

(i) Except as provided in [paragraph (6)] PARAGRAPHS (6) AND (7) of this subsection, no more than 12 winery special event permits are issued to the Class 4 Maryland limited winery in any given calendar year;

(ii) The permit does not exceed 3 consecutive days; and

(iii) Except as provided in [paragraph (6)] PARAGRAPHS (6) AND (7) of this subsection, no more than three winery special event permits are issued in any calendar year to any given limited winery for use in the same political subdivision.

(7) (I) IN ADDITION TO THE WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS THAT MAY BE ISSUED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) AND (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CLASS 4 MARYLAND LIMITED WINERY MAY BE ISSUED NOT MORE THAN 12 WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS FOR USE AT FARMERS' MARKETS IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY THAT ARE LISTED ON THE FARMERS' MARKET DIRECTORY OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

(II) IF A WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER ~~THIS SECTION IS ISSUED~~ PARAGRAPH:

1. THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT MAY NOT SELL WINE BY THE GLASS; AND

2. THE FARMERS' MARKET ADMINISTRATOR OR THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESIGNEE AND THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT OR THE HOLDER'S DESIGNEE SHALL BE:

A. CERTIFIED BY AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE COMPTROLLER; AND

B. PRESENT DURING THE HOURS WHEN WINE MAY BE SOLD.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, May 4, 2010.

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, September 21, 2011, for the purpose of meeting with Greenbelt Farmers Market.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. It was held in the MultiPurpose Room of the Community Center.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Emmett V. Jordan, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Judith F. Davis.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Jennifer Errick, Jonathan Gordy and Joseph Gareri, Greenbelt Farmers Market; and Bob Cecil, Elk Run Vineyards.

Jonathan Gordy and Joseph Gareri thanked Council and residents for their support of the Greenbelt Farmers Market (GFM). Mr. Gareri reported the original goals of the GFM when it began four years ago were to support small scale family farms in Maryland, provide quality shopping for Greenbelt residents and bring more traffic into Roosevelt Center. He said they were pleased to report all these goals have been met.

Mr. Gareri said the State has made a big push in recent years to support the State wine industry. He said GFM hopes to expand and include Maryland vineyards as vendors. Mr. Gareri said a poll taken on a recent market day indicated 83 of 85 respondents supported both wine sampling and sales. He explained the GFM is looking for City support to allow wine sales and perhaps at a later time, explore the possibility of allowing wine sampling at the market.

Bob Cecil, Elk Run Vineyards, reported that Maryland now has 50 wineries throughout the state but most of the wineries are not large enough to obtain shelf space in stores. He said that he and other winery owners have been offering their wines for sale and offering samplings at farmers markets in Cheverly, Riverdale Park, Rockville, Gaithersburg and Takoma Park. Mr. Cecil said they had not experienced any problems, such as customers becoming intoxicated, at any of these markets.

Council questioned the specifics of the City Code regarding alcohol sales or tastings at the GFM. Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning, referred to Section 12-48 of the Code which states:

The use of any alcoholic beverage in the parks, playgrounds or public parking areas shall be prohibited. The possession of any opened or partially consumed container of any alcoholic beverage, either on the person or in a parked vehicle, shall be considered as a violation.

After discussion, Ms. Hruby noted it appears the sale of wine would not be a violation of the City Code, but allowing wine tastings would be a violation of the Code as currently written.

Mr. Roberts said he supports Maryland agriculture but does not support wine sales or tastings at the GFM.

Ms. Mach, Mr. Putens and Ms. Pope said they were not opposed to the sale of wine. Ms. Mach questioned the value of allowing wine sales that purchasers could not sample first and suggested wine tastings of the products be offered at the Greenbelt Consumers Cooperative. Mr. Cecil reported they will only allow tastings of wines provided by their distributors.

Mr. Cecil explained the application process for obtaining a permit for wine sales from the County. Mr. Gareri said only one wine vendor at a time would be allowed to come to the market each week.

Mayor Davis asked about the GFM's rules regarding which wine vendors would be allowed to participate. Mr. Gareri said they would have to comply with the same requirements as other vendors, such as producing grapes themselves.

Mayor Davis said that if Council approved wine sales, the GFM should require a photo identification from all individuals purchasing wine. Mr. Gareri said the GFM would strictly comply with the law regarding alcohol sales. He added that State law also requires a number of GFM members obtain alcohol awareness training certification.

After further discussion, Council requested staff determine the policies in place in Cheverly, Rockville, College Park and Riverdale Park, and requested the GFM request for wine sales be included on the agenda for the October 10th meeting.

Council thanked the representatives for attending and said they were very pleased with the success of the GFM.

Informational Items

Several items of information were discussed.

The meeting ended at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*

Ms. Pope - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - no
Mayor Davis - yes

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1085, Book 12).

Mr. Putens moved the City discontinue the employment of temporary labor services from M.L.F. by November 15, 2011. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed 6-1. (Roberts)

A Resolution to Amend Resolution 1052 and to Provide for the Number of Judges and Clerks of Election, Their Rate of Compensation, and the Rate of Compensation to be Paid to the Chairperson and Members of the Board of Elections for the 2011 Regular Election

Mr. Jordan moved the resolution be introduced for second reading and adoption. Ms. Pope seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Herling - yes
Mr. Jordan - yes
Ms. Mach - yes
Ms. Pope - yes
Mr. Putens - yes
Mr. Roberts - yes
Mayor Davis - yes

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1086, Book 12).

 GREENBELT FARMER'S MARKET (GFM) – REQUEST FOR PERMISSION FOR WINE SALES:

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Joseph Gareri, Vice President of Greenbelt Farmer's Market (GFM), explained that GFM was seeking Council's permission to allow Maryland wine vendors to offer wine tastings, but if that did not meet with the Council's approval they would like consideration of allowing wineries to sell unopened bottles of wine.

Mayor Davis said, if wine sales were approved, wine vendors must require identification from anyone purchasing bottles of wine to establish they meet the State age requirement for the purchase of alcohol.

Mr. Roberts said he would not support the wine tastings or the sale of wine on City property. He noted that allowing the wine tastings would be in violation of City Code Section 12-48 which prohibits the possession of any opened or partially consumed container of any alcoholic beverage in parks, playgrounds or public parking area. Mr. Roberts noted this had been included in the Code for a reason and should not be changed.

Mr. Putens moved Council approve the sale of unopened bottles of Maryland wines at GFM with the requirement that vendors must request identification from all purchasers of wine to establish they were of age. Mr. Jordan seconded.

Mr. Herling and Ms. Pope said they were not opposed to allowing wine tastings at the GFM and suggested a change to City Code Section 12-48 be considered in the future. After further discussion, it was recommended a public hearing on wine tastings would be an appropriate second step prior to Council taking any further action.

Mr. Putens called the question. Ms. Mach seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

The motion passed 6-1. (Roberts)

LETTER TO PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT
REGARDING GREENBELT MIDDLE SCHOOL

Ms. Mach reported that Council held a work session on October 3, 2011, regarding the future of Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) and representatives of Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) announced at the meeting that PGCPS planned to retain GMS once the building was vacated. Ms. Mach said in light of this information, David Lange, Chair of the Greenbelt Middle School Task Force (GMSTF), has requested the City send a letter to Dr. Hite, PGCPS Superintendent, requesting clarification of future plans.

Mr. Lange presented a proposed draft letter to be sent to Dr. Hite. After discussion, Council recommended the following requests be included in the proposed letter: request that a wide range of services be offered at GMS to students and families in the area and request a schedule regarding the disposition of GMS. Council also recommended the following questions be included:

1. Is a long term lease available for part or all of the GMS Building to meet the City's needs?
2. Will the City be able to identify those portions of the old GMS building that it wishes to lease?
3. Would building portions not selected by the City or otherwise utilized by PGCPS be demolished or maintained by the PGCPS?
4. What monies are available and will be used for GMS renovations? If there is a shortfall in funding, what are the plans for completing renovation?
5. Would the City have first priority for selecting the building portions for its use to provide community services?

Carmen Jackson Brown, PGCPS, and Peggy Higgins, Prince George's County School Board, answered several questions presented by Council. They encouraged Council to send a letter to Dr. Hite for clarification to some of the issues at hand.

Ms. Mach moved the Council send a letter to Dr. Hite noting the requests and questions identified this evening. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Higgins announced that PGCPS plans to consolidate bus lots within the County in the future, first to six lots and later to only three lots. She said the Greenbelt Bus Lot is not considered large enough in these future plans, as there was no space to expand the lot size.

Mayor Davis moved to special order "County Legislation – Fire Commission" as the next item of business. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
MAY 28, 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: that applications have been made with the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County, Maryland for the following alcoholic beverage licenses in accordance with the provisions of Article 2B.

TRANSFER



Raminder K. Gill, President, Balwinder K. Randhawa, Treasurer, Jewell Elizabeth Lawson, Secretary for a Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of J & A, LLC, **t/a Pincus Liquors**, 3801 Bladensburg Road, Brentwood, 20722 transfer from P & O LLC, t/a Pincus Liquors, Benjamin Hong, President/Secretary/Treasurer, Mal Sook Hong, Vice President.

Atty: Matthew Gorman, Esquire Opp: _____

TRANSFER OF LOCATION

Kalpanaben K. Patel, Member-Manager, Warren R. Garrison, Sr., Authorized Person/Member for a Class A, Beer and Wine License for the use of Osborne Wine and Spirits LLC, **t/a Osborne Wine and Spirits**, 15789 Livingston Road, Unit 116, Accokeek, 20607 transfer of location from Osborne Wine and Spirits, LLC, t/a Osborne Liquors, 7587 SW Crain Highway, Upper Marlboro, 20772, Kalpanaben K. Patel, Member – Manager, Warren R. Garrison, Sr., Authorized Person/Member.

Atty: Robert Kim, Esquire Opp: _____

 Lynn L. Tu, Authorized Person/Member, George T. McVicar, Authorized Person/Member for a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Royal Jade, LLC, **t/a Royal Jade Cuisine**, 7401 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, 20770 transfer of location from Greenbelt Steell Restaurant, t/a Royal Jade, 7701 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, 20770, Lynn Lin Tu, President/Treasurer, Ellen E. Eastman, Secretary, George R. McViar, Assistant Secretary. 

Atty: Linda Carter, Esquire Opp: _____

Tammy Adams-Gore, Authorized Person, Andrew M. Gore, Authorized Person for a Class B, Beer and Wine License for the use of AMG Franchise, LLC, **t/a Wing Heaven**, 15814 Crain Highway, Suite C, Brandywine, 20613 transfer of location from Austin Grill, LLC, t/a Austin Grill Express, 8150 Baltimore Avenue, Unit E, College Park, 20740, Ali Azima, Authorized Person, Maurice Jenoure, Authorized Person.

Atty: Linda Carter, Esquire Opp: _____

NEW

Delmy F. Buruca De Hernandez, President/Secretary/Treasurer for a new Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of El Paraizo Incorporated, **t/a El Paraiso**, 6511 New Hampshire Avenue, Hyattsville, 20783.

Atty: Matthew Gorman, Esquire Opp: _____

Eric W. Franklin, Member-Manager, Marcus H. Mitchell, Member-Authorized Person for a new Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Erimarc Ventures, LLC, **t/a Jazzy's Restaurant**, 12500-B Fairwood Parkway, Bowie, 20720.

Atty: Robert Kim, Esquire Opp: _____

Alfred Cannon, Owner for a new Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of **t/a Joplin 360 Restaurant & Piano Lounge**, 10707 Indian Head Highway, Fort Washington, 20744.

Atty: _____ Opp: _____

A hearing will be held at 5012 Rhode Island Avenue, Hearing Room 200, Hyattsville, Maryland 20781, **10:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 28, 2013**. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Board's Office at 301-699-2770.


BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

Diane M. Bryant

April 2, 2013

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Barbara Matthews

Barbara Burns Matthews assumed the role as City Manager for the City of Takoma Park on July 12, 2004. She brings 18 years of local government experience, where she last held the position as City Administrator of Manchester, Missouri. Barbara has held positions with the cities of Kansas City, Gladstone, and Kirkwood, Missouri. She has an extensive background in all areas of municipal operations, including economic development, finance and budgeting, and labor relations. Barbara has a bachelor's degree in economics and government from the University of Virginia and a master's degree in public affairs from Indiana University.

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Tari Moore

Tari Moore is the County Executive for Cecil County. She is the former Executive Director of the Cecil County Chamber of Commerce. She also served on the County Economic Development Commission and was an appointee to the Maryland Transportation Authority's Cecil/Harford Bridges Work Group in 2006. In civic affairs, Tari serves on the Board of Directors for Union Hospital, the United Way of Cecil County and the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo). She earned her B.A. in Business Administration from the University of Redlands (CA), and is enrolled in the Maryland Academy for Excellence in Local Governance. In 2008, Tari was awarded a Maryland General Assembly Official Citation for her "extraordinary leadership as the Executive Director of the Cecil County Chamber of Commerce". In 2004 she was an ATHENA Award Nominee, and was awarded the Mattie Harris "Spirit of the American Woman Award" - bestowed to an individual in county government who has worked diligently to provide excellence in service to the community.



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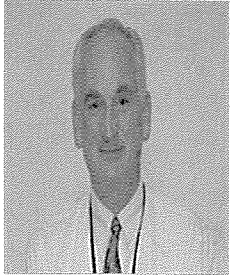
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Ted has worked for Carroll County for nearly two decades, more than half of that time as the Director of Management and Budget where he is responsible for budget, grants, and risk management functions. Ted obtained his undergraduate degree from Towson University and his masters degree from Western Maryland College, now McDaniel College. Ted served for six years on the Government Finance Officer's Association (GFOA) Budget and Fiscal Policy Committee and is currently on the Board of Directors Maryland Government Finance Officers Association, the Towson University College of Business and Economics Advisory Board, and is President of the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) Budget and Finance Affiliate. He has presented at the National GFOA, Maryland GFOA, and MACo conferences.

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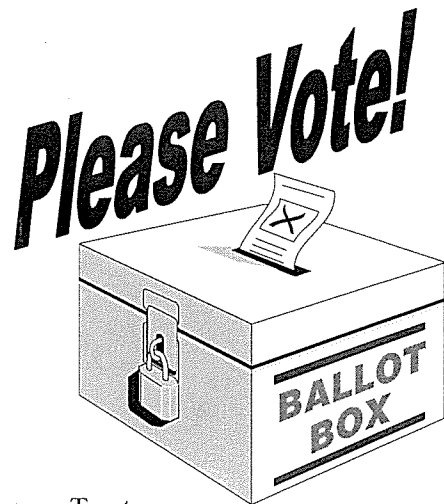


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May 2, 2013

BALLOT



TO: LGIT Member Contact
FROM: Timothy S. Ailsworth, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees — Election & Ballot

Article VIII, Section 2 of the Bylaws of the Local Government Insurance Trust provides that Trustees shall be elected by the Members by means of a mail ballot prior to the beginning of each Fiscal Year. The Board of Trustees shall submit to the members a slate of candidates to fill each vacancy, which will occur on the Board as terms expire. Each member has one vote and the vote must be submitted in writing to the LGIT Executive Director 15 days prior to the beginning of the Fiscal Year. The nominees with the highest number of votes for each vacancy are declared elected.

The Nominating Committee of the Trust has met and submitted to the Board of Trustees the following candidates for nomination to serve as members of the Board of Trustees for a three year term beginning July 1, 2013. The Board has approved the nominees and hereby submits them to the Membership. Please indicate your vote by checking either "Yea" or "Nay" next to each nominee's name.

<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>
Barbara Matthews (Rockville)		
Tari Moore (Cecil County)		
Theodore Zaleski, III (Carroll County)		

To view a Bio of the nominees, visit our website www.lgit.org and click on About Us/Board of Trustees.

Please complete this form and return it to the Local Government Insurance Trust **by June 3, 2013 via mail, fax or return e-mail to sandyt@lgit.org**. Your timely return of this **BALLOT** is important.

Name & Title of Person Filling out this Form: _____

City, Town or County you represent: _____